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GERMANS ATTACKED BUT MADE NO GAINS

Carried Out Violent Bombardment to South of Dixmude on Line in Belgium

EFFORTS EASILY FOILED AT POINT IN ALSACE

Progress Made in Region of St. Mihiel; Large Quantities of Supplies Captured

Paris, March 9.—The war office today gave out a report on the war as follows:

"The only events reported to this office since the issuance of the last communication was a violent bombardment by the enemy last night from the region to the east of Steenstraete, which is south of Dixmude, followed by an unsuccessful attack, together with the several attacks made by the enemy at Reichackerkopf, all of which were easily repulsed."

Paris, March 9.—The following official communication was issued by the French war office last night:

"In Champagne snowstorms have interfered with our operations. This morning the enemy tried to retake a wood captured by us on Sunday west of Perthes. He was repulsed, and our counter-offensive enabled us to gain ground to the northeast and to take some prisoners. The advance continued and increased during the afternoon.

"In the region of Perthes we won more than 500 metres (over 1,600 feet) of trenches.

"Between Le Mesnil and Beausejour we lost some trenches we had taken yesterday, but gained 100 metres (about 300 feet) on the ridge north of Le Mesnil.

"In the region of St. Mihiel and in the Bois Brule (Forest of Apremont) we gained a footing in a German trench and captured large quantities of war material.

"Northwest of Pont-a-Mousson the Germans attempted to deliver an attack, which, however, broke down. Our progress continued from Badonviller.

"In Alsace, at Reichackerkopf, we repulsed a counter-attack."

MISSIONARIES MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED

Fears Entertained for Safety of Fathers Rouviere and Guillaume, Who Were in North

Dawson, Y. T., March 9.—Advices just received from the Mackenzie river valley cause serious alarm here among friends for the welfare of Rev. Father Jean Baptiste Rouviere and Rev. Father Guillaume Leroux, Catholic missionaries. It is feared they have been murdered by Eskimos in the vicinity of Bear Lake, 100 miles east of Fort Norman. They have been engaged in that field for several years. The news comes to Rev. Father Allard, of Dawson, in a letter brought from Arctic Red River and written by Father Jules M. Leouyer, the Catholic missionary at that point.

The letter was written on January 15, and was brought to Dawson by Emile Hebert and John Stewart, who arrived here last week from Arctic Red River and McPherson with furs.

Every summer for years Fathers Rouviere and Leroux had been in the habit of going regularly to Fort Norman to get supplies for the succeeding winter. Last summer they did not make the customary visit to the fort. Emile Hebert and John Stewart met at Fort McPherson one Charlie Christie, a Hudson's Bay employee, who brought the news down from Fort Norman. Speaking to-day in Dawson they said:

"According to the way Christie reports hearing a story at Fort Norman, a big game hunter of means who was anxious to kill musk ox, went to the vicinity of Bear Lake and there met a band of Eskimos, comprising twenty men and eight women, who were curiously attired. One wore the cassock or gown of a Catholic priest and a crucifix, and the other had on some of the mass vestments, garments which would be entirely foreign to such people as Eskimos or any other tribesmen in such a wilderness.

"The hunter, on seeing these Eskimos in the strange garb, felt he was in danger, and leaving hurriedly, made his way back to Fort Norman."

ROUMANIAN MEASURE.

Bucharest, March 9.—The Roumanian senate adopted to-day a bill empowering the government to proclaim martial law throughout the country whenever it deems such a measure necessary.

GOUNARIS WILL TRY TO FORM A CABINET

Requested by King of Greece to Undertake the Task That Zaimis Declined

BALTADIS MAY BE FOREIGN MINISTER

New Premier is Expected to Use His Influence for Continuation of Neutrality

Athens, March 9.—M. Gounaris, deputy for Patras, has consented at the request of King Constantine to undertake the task of forming a new cabinet. It is reported that M. Baltadis, who was foreign minister in the Theotokis cabinet, has consented to take that portfolio under the leadership of Gounaris.

M. Gournaris will submit his list of ministers to the king to-morrow, it is understood, and obtain an agreement that the chamber will be dissolved if the supporters of the ministry are in the minority, which is considered highly probable.

The new premier is expected to favor the continued neutrality of Greece.

Greece has been facing a cabinet crisis since the end of last week, when M. Venizelos, the premier, who favors Greek participation in the war on the side of the allies, resigned because his policy did not meet with the approval of King Constantine, who desired that the country should remain neutral. M. Zaimis was requested yesterday to form a cabinet, but he declined.

Paris, March 9.—M. Rhallys, a former prime minister of Greece, in an interview at Athens, printed in the Matin, says that King Constantine acted on the advice of his general staff in opposing the policy of intervention proposed by M. Venizelos. The staff was of the opinion that an expedition against Constantinople would weaken the military situation on the Bulgarian frontier, which in Athens is regarded as dangerous in view of Bulgaria's doubtful attitude.

ELECTION DAY FOR PROVINCE, APRIL 10

Trepidation Among Conservatives as to Premier's Coming Manifesto

The date of the provincial elections has been set for April 10, the order-in-council dissolving the old parliament having been signed yesterday afternoon by Lieutenant-Governor Barnard. Nomination day will be April 3.

Simultaneously with the announcement of the date of election comes the resignation of Hon. Price Ellison as minister of finance and agriculture, which followed naturally on the revelations made in the house as to the cabinet minister's purchase of certain cows from the Colony Farm, at Essondale. The whole subject was aired as a result of a series of very pertinent questions asked by the member for Columbia.

Sir Richard McBride's manifesto is now in course of preparation and is being awaited with considerable trepidation by a large section of the Conservative party, who are anxious to know whether he will propose any more assistance to the already heavily subsidized railway companies whose activities have been discontinued from time to time ever since they were initiated, owing to an alleged scarcity of funds.

Vancouver members, headed by the attorney-general, are believed to be very strongly opposed to granting any further assistance to these corporations, believing the people of the country have done quite enough, and that it is up to the companies to do their part. This is particularly the case in regard to the Canadian Northern Railway, whose promoters, although multi-millionaires, have not put a solitary cent into the enterprise.

Assistance to the Pacific Great Eastern is also opposed by them, and as the Times pointed out yesterday, a proposal dealing with the latter company brought before the caucus by the premier on two occasions could not get a single supporter. This circumstance, it is understood, he attributes to the attorney-general. It is quite noticeable in this connection that the attorney-general and not the premier seemed to command the greater degree of confidence on the part of the government supporters during the session.

The premier has not announced who will succeed the Hon. Price Ellison in the cabinet, but it is generally understood that the members for Cowichan and Yale respectively are the favorites for the position. It is not unlikely that other cabinet changes will be announced within the next few days.

GERMAN PLANS UPSET IN NORTHERN POLAND

Force Before Ossowetz Menaced as Result of Russian Success

TURKS THROWN BACK BY ARMY OF CAUCASUS

Destruction of Docks at Zunguldiak, Black Sea, Serious Blow to Turkish Fleet

Petrograd, March 9.—The bombardment by the Russians of Zunguldiak, on the south shore of the Black Sea, and the destruction of the docks there, as announced by the Russian naval ministry yesterday, constitutes a serious blow to the Turkish fleet, since it is from this point that the Turks hitherto have drawn their chief supplies of coal for the navy. It is reported semi-officially that in addition to silencing the batteries which defended the docks, the Russian fleet also destroyed the coal chutes.

Bendereghi, forty miles to the west, which is another coaling port, also was damaged.

The only damage to the Russian fleet during the bombardment of Zunguldiak was a slight injury to the cruiser Almaz, which was struck by a six-inch shell. Three soldiers were wounded. The cruiser's machinery was not damaged.

With the evident intention of distracting the Russian advance into Turkish Armenia from Batum to the valley of the Choruk, the Turks have started a movement in the vicinity of Khoi, in Northwestern Persia, to the west of Tabriz. The Russian authorities attach little importance to this move, believing the melting snows and swollen rivers in this region will impede the progress of the Turks and preclude the possibility of their turning the left flank of the Russian Caucasian army.

Efforts to dislodge the right and left flanks of the German forces operating in the Suwalki district of Northern Poland apparently are bringing some success, and only the German centre, in the region of Simno, seems to be holding firm in possession of the positions recently gained in the advance from East Prussia.

The German left flank is reported to have retired to positions in the region of Mariampol-Virzbalova and Eidcunen. The right flank, reports from the front say, has retreated hastily thirty miles from Grodno toward Augustowo through bogs and forests.

The retreat of the German right wing is reported as especially damaging to the Germans, since it severs the communications of the German northern army with the army to the south, whose left wing is besieging Ossowetz. This second Germany army is thus left open to an attack from the rear by the Russian forces which are advancing between the Bobr river and Augustowo.

According to the Russian military authorities, the Germans have perceived the menace of this situation and in consequence already have begun to remove their heavy batteries from before Ossowetz. This is regarded as forecasting cessation of the bombardment of Ossowetz by the Germans and their retreat toward the Bohr.

London, March 9.—Reuter's Petrograd correspondent sends the following official communication issued by the Russian war office last night:

"In the Suwalki region we repulsed the enemy. On the Mariampol Simno-Augustowo front our offensive continues.

"On the right bank of the Narew there has been no essential change.

"On the left bank of the Vistula, in the Pilica region, a German offensive has been checked, and our troops have commenced a counter-attack.

"In the Carpathians the Austrians have ceased their attacks in the Svidnik region, but continues their assaults on our positions in the direction of Baligrod. New enemy attacks in the Kozmowhka-Dukla region met with no better success. In that region a whole battalion of the enemy's enveloping column surrendered."

Petrograd, March 9. — An official statement from the general staff of the Russian Caucasian army says:

"Our troops on March 7 occupied an important position in the region beyond the river Choruk (Turkish Armenia), throwing back the Turks to the southwest and inflicting upon them serious losses.

"On the other front there were no engagements."

FOURTEEN KILLED.

London, March 9.—The Central News correspondent at Amsterdam telegraphs that fourteen men were killed and seventy injured to-day by an explosion in a German arsenal at Antwerp.

Liberal Leader Issues Manifesto to the Electors of This Province

H. C. BREWSTER

TWO WARSHIPS ARE SENT TO VERA CRUZ

Secretary Daniels Issued Order After Conference With President Wilson

CRUISER DES MOINES HEADS FOR PROGRESO

Washington, March 9.—After a conference early to-day with President Wilson, Secretary Daniels ordered two battleships of the Atlantic fleet from Guantanamo to Vera Cruz.

Rear-Admiral Fletcher selected the armored cruiser Washington, now in Haitien waters, with Rear-Admiral Caperton, and the battleship Georgia, commanded by Capt. Robert R. Coontz, now at Guantanamo, to proceed to Vera Cruz.

Washington, March 9.—President Wilson said that the latest note sent to General Carranza called to his attention the serious situation reported to exist in Mexico City, and called on him to protect foreigners in the capital. He added that evacuation of the city was the principal thing to be feared.

General Carranza, in an oral reply to American Consul Silliman, when the latter presented the note from the United States government on conditions in Mexico City, entered a general denial that General Obregon had prevented food from entering Mexico City or sent any supplies out of the city.

Washington, March 9.—Late to-day the cruiser Des Moines, en route to Vera Cruz, was ordered to return to Progreso, where there has been local trouble and friction over Carranza's export embargoes.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE RECEIVE STATES' REPLY

Paris, March 9.—The Journal to-day says it understands the American reply to the French and British notes concerning the blockade of Germany has been received in Paris and London.

Its contents follow closely the lines already announced in American papers. It asks the French and British governments for detailed information as to their purposes, and particularly what measures they propose to adopt to carry them out.

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EXPECTS THAT JAPAN WILL OBSERVE TREATY

London, March 9.—Speaking in the House of Commons to-day in reply to a question, Foreign Secretary Grey said he had no doubt that Japan would observe the treaty of 1905, under the terms of which Japan and Great Britain guaranteed the integrity and the independence of China, together with equal commercial opportunity for all nations.

VANCOUVER TERMINAL RAILWAY DISCUSSED

Railway Committee at Ottawa Will Take Up Bill on Thursday

Ottawa, March 9.—In the railway committee this morning, H. H. Stevens asked that the bill to incorporate the Vancouver Terminal Railway company be allowed to stand for the present. He said he had received communications from the harbor board of Vancouver, the council and board of trade of South Vancouver and the harbor commissioner of North Arm. These bodies were considering his bill and it was desirable that they should be satisfied before the bill was proceeded with.

Clive Pringle, on behalf of the city solicitor of Vancouver, asked for the bill to stand over. He intimated that a deputation might be sent from Vancouver in regard to it. Col. Thompson, counsel for the company, said that the matter had been fully explained to the railway committee of the Vancouver council some time ago. Mr. Stevens said that the council, so far as it was advised, was opposed to the proposals contained in the bill. Col. Thompson stated nothing had been concealed from the council of Vancouver and, in view of the probable brevity of the session, any long delay would kill the bill.

Mr. Stevens wanted it clearly understood that he was not opposed to the proposals of the company; neither was the city of Vancouver. The company proposed to have an agreement with the C. N. R. which was directly opposed to an agreement between the C. N. R. and the city. All the city was anxious to do was to protect its own interests. It was considered that there should be an adjournment for at least a week.

E. A. Lancaster, chairman, said the committee would see that the interests of the city were fully protected. The meetings of the committee next week were to be devoted to public bills. If the bill was not passed this week it could not go through this session, he said.

It was finally decided to make the bill the first order of business on Tuesday. Then Mr. Lancaster advised all parties concerned to be prepared to go ahead with it. He added that it was necessary for the committee to have more specific objections to the bill before they could be given consideration.

SMASH THE MACHINE WILL BE BATTLE-CRY OF ELECTORS OF B.C.

Liberal Leader Issues Manifesto; Calls Attention of Public to the Many Failures of the McBride Government; Lays Bare the Objectionable Features of Agricultural Act; Points to Maladministration in Connection With Dominion Trust

Vancouver, March 9.—H. C. Brewster, leader of the Liberal party in British Columbia, issues the following manifesto to the electors of the province, irrespective of political creed, in view of the forthcoming election:

To the Electors:

The legislature has been dissolved, and on April 10, only thirty days hence, a vain effort will be made by the McBride administration to steal a new lease of power. This election, called in panic, is being brought on regardless of the fact that the government had still a year before its allotted time expired. It is for the electors of the province to consider the motives and the justification for such action on the part of the government.

The premier states that dissolution is caused by his desire to consult the electorate on account of "considerations mainly arising from the crisis of the war."

Just what these considerations are have not yet been made public. The great struggle for the maintenance of British institutions has called forth the united patriotic and wholehearted support of the people of this province, and it is lamentable that a political leader should seek to exploit it for partisan purposes. This attempt will deceive no one. The public in British Columbia remember well the conditions that existed long before the declaration of war, and will recognize that the influences leading to serious financial conditions and depressions existing then. This is an excuse only, and ought to be regarded as too serious for reference.

The redistribution bill just passed by the legislature has not been a subject of serious controversy, but it so changes the boundaries of the constituencies as to make a re-registration most desirable, instead of having voter's lists hand-picked by government appointees, as must be the case with the election rushed upon us in this manner. We are satisfied that in the present temper of the public, however, no manipulation of the voters' lists will save the government from well-merited defeat. We feel it a duty to call public attention to these injustices.

The premier declared it to be the intention of the government to attack "courageously and vigorously those features of provincial development, already initiated and still incomplete, referring to railway construction both on the mainland and the island." In our opinion this is his method of serving notice upon the public that, should he again be returned to power, he will consider his election as a mandate from the people to further pledge the credit of the province to railways which have already been given assistance far in excess of their actual cost.

The aiding of trans-continental lines of railways should properly be left to the Dominion government, and the relieving of British Columbia from her present obligations, especially in respect to the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway main line, might well be a subject for the consideration of the better terms commission.

The new agricultural act, to which the premier refers as "an earnest" of the policy to be pursued by the government in the future, contains a principle to which he was pledged when elected in 1900 and on which he renewed his pledge in 1903, and it has taken 15 years to, in any measure, implement his promises by legislation. And, even at this late date, it would not have been dealt with were it not for the agitation on this subject by the Liberals, which, backed up by the strong pressure of public opinion, makes him afraid again to meet the electorate without taking some steps to claim progress in this direction.

While the principle of the act, so far as it provides aid for agricultural development, is economically sound, the machinery to be used in and the methods of its enforcement are decidedly objectionable. Though it may be necessary to appoint the members of the commission by order-in-council, their appointment should be subject to ratification by the legislature. The deputy ministers of finance and agriculture becoming ex-officio members of the commission, the appointment of a superintendent and deputy superintendent by the lieutenant-governor, and the fact that the personnel of the official staff of the commission has to be approved by the lieutenant-governor-in-council, together with the further fact that the superintendent is the active member

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FIRE ON STEAMSHIP BEING INVESTIGATED

Captain of La Touraine Says There Was No Real Danger; Flames Confined to One Hold

CALL FOR HELP WAS MEASURE OF PRECAUTION

Havre, March 9.—A rigid inquiry into all the circumstances connected with the fire at sea aboard the French liner La Touraine, which docked here yesterday and landed safely all her passengers, has been begun. Admiral Charlier, of the ministry of marine, and Director Duorot, of the Compiegne Generale Trans-Atlantique, boarded the vessel upon her arrival and started the investigation at once. The report of Admiral Charlier will be submitted to the government.

The fire, which was confined to one of the holds, was extinguished at midnight Sunday and the last stage of the voyage was completed without incident.

Lifebelts were distributed among the passengers and the boats were prepared for instant use as soon as the flames were discovered, but at no time was there any real danger, according to a statement by Captain Caussin, who declared that the S. O. S. call for assistance was sent out merely as a measure of precaution. There was no disorder and no panic, the passengers accepting the situation calmly in the belief that the fire would be conquered and that other steamers would reply promptly to the wireless summons.

The steamer Rotterdam, one of the vessels which answered La Touraine's call and stood by until the fire was extinguished, left the French liner at Prawle Point, England. The French cruisers Guichen and Dupetit Thouars, which also went to La Touraine's assistance, escorted her as far as Cherbourg and then continued on their way.

Other vessels which answered Captain Caussin's call were informed that there was no need for their services and continued their trips after receiving the thanks of the liner's commander.

ITALIAN MINISTERS HOLD CONFERENCE

Impression Prevails in Rome That Country is on Eve of Great Events.

Rome, March 9.—Premier Salandra after his visit Sunday to Gaeta to inaugurate a new military harbor, a journey during which a very considerable degree of national feeling was manifested, had a long interview with Foreign Minister Sonnino to-day. To-night the council of ministers was in session. These facts, together with other indications, lead to the widespread belief that Italy to-day is upon the eve of great and decisive events.

One of the premier's remarks at Gaeta is attracting considerable attention. Referring to the kind of brown bread allowed in Italy, after March 22, Signor Salandra said: "This is a noble bread. Our soldiers will be first to be sacrificed and Italians will see the destiny of their country accomplished."

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C. Ruroede Gets Three Years for Conspiracy to Defraud U. S.; Others Fined

New York, March 9. — Charles Ruroede, one of the six persons indicted for an alleged conspiracy to defraud the United States in obtaining false American passports for German reservists, pleaded guilty yesterday to one of the three indictments against him and to the second count of another.

District Attorney Marshall, in an address which was interpreted by some as recommending a light sentence for Ruroede, announced that Hans Adam von Weddell, who also was indicted and fled the country, had been captured and would be returned here. He said von Weddell was the chief conspirator in the case.

Federal Judge Neterrer, before whom the cases are being tried, sentenced Ruroede to serve three years in the Atlanta penitentiary. The maximum penalty that could be inflicted under the indictment is twelve years.

The four German reservists brought to trial with Ruroede, also pleaded guilty and were fined $200 each. They were: Arthur Wilhelm Sachase, a reserve lieutenant in the German army; Walter Mueller, August Meyer and Herman Wegener.

DOG HELPED TO SAVE SMALL CHILD'S LIFE

Courtenay, B. C., March 9.—While Mrs. R. McCuish, Comox, was on a visit to Mrs. Dawley, wife of Game Warden Dawley, Courtenay, her young son, who is at the toddling age, was playing in a plot at the back of the house with Mrs. Dawley's boy, aged five. The McCuish child went to investigate a small stream in the yard and fell in head first.

Mrs. Dawley was attracted by the loud cries of her boy and rushed out to discover that both he and a small fox terrier were struggling strenuously to pull Baby McCuish out of his dangerous position. The dog had seized hold of the child's clothing and his efforts, together with the boy's, had prevented the baby from drowning.

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JAPAN'S STATEMENT REGARDING DEMANDS

Outlines Articles Not Included in Government's First Announcement on Subject

Tokio, March 9.—The Japanese government received recently a friendly inquiry from the United States calling attention to the difference between the Japanese and Chinese versions of the series of demands made by Japan upon China shortly after Japan had ousted the Germans from their Kiau Chau concession, which for two months past have been a subject of negotiations at Peking.

In reply Japan has communicated a supplementary note to the great powers in which she summarizes the articles not included in her statement on this subject. She explains that these articles, being in the nature of requests, concerning old and long-pending questions between herself and China, she had not felt previously any obligation to impart them to the powers.

It is generally understood in Tokio that neither the United States nor any European power has registered objection to the Japanese demands, and the impression prevails here that Japan is determined to bring about an acceptance of most, if not all, of them.

WERE DRIVEN BACK WITH LOSS OF 3,000

Germans Could Not Hold Trenches They Took at Notre Dame de Lorette

Paris, March 9.—The manner in which a furious German attack at Notre Dame de Lorette was turned into a defeat in which 3,000 Germans fell, is described in the Petit Parisien by one of the combatants.

"The Germans blew up by mines our first line of trenches," says the story. "Before the echoes of the explosion had died away an avalanche of Germans poured down and forced the French into the second line of trenches after a fierce hand-to-hand struggle. The Germans suddenly raked the trenches with two machine guns, forcing the defenders into the third line, from which they were forced to retire to an easily defended position on the rear after another bayonet battle with superior numbers.

"In no way demoralized, our men spent the night preparing to win back the lost positions, which the Germans had strengthened with sandbags. Our artillery was placed in position ready to fire. As soon as dawn broke the 'three-inchers' opened with salvos. The shells burst in our old trenches, peppering the Germans methodically. Then the heavy artillery joined in, demoralizing them. Their artillery tried to reply and its shells exploded with awe-inspiring noise, but did not harm us.

"The din became appalling. Our pieces fired as rapidly as they could be loaded. After hours of this the guns stopped firing and our infantry bounded forward, crouching on their hands and knees. The Germans fired volley after volley, working their quick-firers feverishly, but our men would not be denied. They took the third line, but could go no farther. The second line was well sandbagged and crammed with Germans.

"Our artillery then began to drop shells on the Germans with mathematical precision. Fifty yards from us we could see them blown into the air.

"The second night fell and we could see nothing, for the sky was covered with heavy clouds from which rain poured in torrents. In spite of all this our infantry resumed the attack and in a splendid charge reached the second line. It was a fearful struggle in the dark. Shaken by our impetuous charge, the Germans who had not been killed or wounded fled toward the holes which had been made by their mines, to which they clung in the indescribable uproar.

"The tireless French again dashed forward on the enemy. In the darkness the Germans struck frantically around them, killing their own men, whom they were unable to recognize. After a few minutes of carnage the Germans fled for their own positions, leaving the ground covered with dead and wounded. An impressive silence fell over the battlefield, while 150 haggard prisoners were led to the rear.

"Dawn revealed a terrifying sight. Everywhere the Germans lay, many having fallen with rifles clasped in their stiffened hands, as if about to fire again. They paid dearly for their attack, for 3,000 of them fell under our fire. Their losses were three times greater than ours, although we had to deliver three counter attacks."

ANOTHER ZEPPELIN HAS BEEN WRECKED

Amsterdam, March 9.—The Telegraaf's Tirlemont correspondent confirms the report of the destruction there last Thursday of Zeppelin airship L-8, which was forced to make a hurried descent owing to a derangement of its motors. The correspondent says the airship collided with some trees and smashed its cars, and that seventeen of its crew of forty-one men were killed.

BREAD LOWER IN NEW YORK.

New York, March 9.—The price of bread went back to 5 cents a loaf yesterday. The recent drop in the price of flour was given as the reason for restoring the price to its former figure. For a month some of the big bakeries had been charging six cents a loaf.

FLEET'S OPERATIONS DESCRIBED IN REPORT

Allies' Ships Are Working Steadily in Reducing Inner Forts of Dardanelles

London, March 9.—The British Admiralty yesterday made public the following announcement concerning the operations of the Allied fleet against the Dardanelles:

The operations against the Dardanelles are progressing in fine weather. Vice-Admiral Carden reports that on the sixth of March, the battleship Queen Elizabeth, supported by the battleships Agamemnon and Ocean, began an attack on Forts Hamidieh-Tabia and Hamidieh, which are marked on the admiralty map as Forts U and V, by indirect fire across the Gallipoli peninsula, firing at 21,000 yards.

These forts are armed as follows: Fort U, two 14-inch guns and seven 9.4-inch guns; Fort V, two 14-inch, one 9.4, one 8-inch gun and four 4.9-inch guns.

The Queen Elizabeth was fired on by the howitzers and field guns, and three shells from the field guns struck her, without, however, causing any damage.

Meanwhile, inside the straits the Vengeance, Albion, Majestic and Prince George and the French battleship Suffren fired on the Souain Dere and Mount Dardanaos batteries, marked F and E on the admiralty map, and were fired upon by a number of concealed guns.

Fort Rumili Medjidieh-Tabia, marked J on the admiralty map, which had been attacked on the previous day opened fire and was engaged and hit by 12-inch shells.

The majority of the ships in the straits were struck by shells, but there was no serious damage done, and no casualties reported.

On the seventh of March, the weather continuing calm and fine, four French battleships, the Gaulois, Charlemagne, Bouvet and Suffren, entered the straits to cover the direct bombardment of the defences of the narrows by the Agamemnon and Lord Nelson. The French ships engaged the Mount Dardanaos battery and various concealed guns, silencing the former. The Agamemnon and Lord Nelson then advanced and engaged the forts at the narrows, at from 14,000 down to 12,000 yards, by direct fire.

Forts Rumili Medjidieh-Tabia, marked J, and Hamidieh-Tabia, marked U, both were silenced after a heavy bombardment. Explosions occurred in both forts. Fort L has not fired since the explosion on the fifth.

The Gaulois, Agamemnon and Lord Nelson were each struck three times, but the damage done was not serious. The Lord Nelson had three men slightly wounded.

While the operations were in progress the British light cruiser Dublin continued to watch the Bulair isthmus. She was fired at by four-inch guns and struck three or four times.

Owing to the importance of locating concealed guns the seaplanes had to fly very low at times. On the fourth instant a seaplane, pilot, Flight Lieut. Garbet, and observer, Lt.-Commander Williamson, became unstable and fell into the sea. Both officers were injured. Flight Lieutenant Douglas, reconnoitering a close quarters in another seaplane, was wounded but returned safely.

On the fifth, seaplane No. 127, Flight-Lieut. Bromet, pilot, with Lieut. Brown, was hit twenty-eight times, and seaplane No. 7, Flight-Lieutenant Pershaw, pilot, with Petty Officer Merchant, was struck eight times.

The Ark Royal (the mother ship for seaplanes) is equipped with every appliance necessary for the repair and maintenance of the numerous aircraft which she carries."

VIENNA REPORT TELLS ONLY OF SUCCESSES

Vienna, March 9.—The following official Austrian statement was issued here last night.

"In Russian Poland we have obtained several successes in battles which still continue. The enemy was dislodged from several trenches, sustaining heavy losses.

"On the West Galicia front we have gained similar success in a brief attack made by our troops.

"In the district near Lupkow Pass (in the Carpathians) the Russians, whose thinned ranks had been strongly reinforced, made desperate attacks yesterday, thrice pushing forward to the vicinity of our positions, only to be shattered in the last rush.

"In another section of the battle-front our troops, after repelling Russian attacks, surprised them by a counter-attack, capturing a strongly-fortified height and taking as prisoners ten officers and 700 men. On a neighboring height 1,000 men were captured.

"In Southeast Galicia a strong hostile cavalry force making an isolated advance against the wing of our positions suffered a serious reverse."

TYPHOID RAGING AMONG AUSTRIAN PRISONERS

Geneva, March 9.—Advices from Serbia set forth that typhoid fever is very prevalent among the Austrian prisoners to the number of seventy thousand who are in the hands of the Serbians. The Swiss government has been notified by the Serbian military authorities that a Swiss doctor by the name of Lachleder, who has been serving with the Serbian medical corps, is dead of this disease. The Serbians are asking for more doctors.

Smallpox also is said to be raging among these Austrian prisoners.

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C. P. R. BILL DEBATED AT OTTAWA YESTERDAY

Minister of Militia States Cost of Transporting First Contingent; Total of $1,364,000 Paid.

Ottawa, March 9.—Yesterday was the last private members' day of the session. It was mostly taken up with the consideration of the bill to allow the C. P. R. to separate its ocean steamship service from the parent company, which is to guarantee bonds of the new company. The bill was vigorously combatted by W. F. Maclean, J. G. Turriff and Major Sam Sharpe, all of whom maintained that, as the new company is to be incorporated in England, the passage of the measure would mean the surrender for all time of the possibility of control of the ocean rates of the company.

The majority of the members, including Sir Robert Borden, Hon. Frank Cochrane and Hon. George P. Graham, declined to subscribe to those views. They were inclined to the opinion that the separation of the railway and steamship services would be a good thing from the viewpoint of getting at the cost of operation in connection with control of the rates, and that ocean rates could be controlled effectively only by international action.

Sir Robert Borden tabled the order-in-council of two years ago, by which the C. P. R., without reservation, comes under the control of the railway board. It quotes a letter from Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, in which he says that the C. P. R. admits that the earnings of the C. P. R. are more than 10 per cent. of the cost of construction.

In committee, Mr. Turriff moved that the rates of the ocean service be placed under the control of the railway board. On the third reading Mr. Maclean moved that the organization of ocean service, including the bond issue, be subject to review by the railway board. Both amendments were negatived.

During question time, which was not reached till late in the evening, the minister of militia informed W. Gray, of London, that the following amounts have been paid to the railways for land and ocean transport services in connection with the first contingent: C. P. R., $915,000; C. N. R., $308,000, and G. T. R., $141,000.

Ottawa, March 9.—H. H. Stevens, of Vancouver, wants to cut down the speeches of members of parliament to reasonable limits. He has given notice that he will move for the appointment of a committee of the house to consider and report on the question of limiting all speeches to 45 minutes and 20 minutes when the house is in committee of the whole, excepting the mover of a bill or a resolution or the reply thereto, or ministers of the crown and members replying to them.

SUPPLIES FOR GERMANY WERE SEIZED BY ITALY

Rome, March 9.—A dispatch from Genoa states that 15,000 tons of rice, oats and beans, shipped from Seville, Spain, and consigned to Germany, have been sequestered at Oneglia, a seaport on the Gulf of Genoa.

DIES AT TORONTO.

Toronto, March 9.—Private Arthur Smith, a signaler attached to the exhibition camp headquarters staff, 4th artillery brigade, died in the General hospital on Saturday of meningitis. Smith came from Brantford.

KETTLE VALLEY RAILWAY TO HAVE LONGER TIME

Ottawa, March 9.—The railway committee of the commons this morning passed a bill extending the time for the completion of the Kettle Valley railway and its various branches in British Columbia. The bill also gives parliamentary sanction to a proposed agreement between the railway and the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway and Navigation company.

HARRY THAW AT LAST COMES TO HIS TRIAL

New York, March 9.—Harry Kendall Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, smilingly came into the criminal branch of the supreme court yesterday to stand trial for conspiracy to escape from the state hospital for the criminal insane at Mattewan. Five men charged with assisting in the conspiracy were placed on trial with him.

WAS BUYING SUPPLIES IN STATES FOR RUSSIA

New York, March 9.—Captain Dmitri Vassiliffe, acting naval attache of the Russian embassy at Washington, who died here on Sunday, was stationed in this city to direct the purchase of war supplies for Russia in this country. Before illness prevented him from continuing his work it was said he had spent nearly $100,000,000 in America. Captain Vassiliffe was a personal friend of Emperor Nicholas of Russia, and for several years was the emperor's aide on board the royal yacht.

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"Mr. Grimes," said the rector to the vestryman on the Sunday morning before Christmas, "this morning we had better take up the collection before the sermon." "Indeed!" said the vestryman. "Why?" "Well," answered the rector, "I am going to preach on the subject of economy."

CREW OF BENGROVE GIVEN NO WARNING

Collier Was Torpedoed Off Ilfracombe, Devon, on Sunday

London, March 9.—The admiralty announces that the British collier Bengrove was sunk on Sunday, probably by a torpedo, off Ilfracombe, which lies ten miles northeast of Barnstable, county of Devon, England.

The Bengrove was of 2,389 registered tons.

The admiralty also announces that out of a total of 1,513 ships arriving at, and 1,342 leaving Great Britain during the period from February 18 to March 3, only seven were torpedoed by hostile submarines.

Ilfracombe, Eng., March 9.—The British steamer Bengrove was seen in distress and sounding her siren a few miles off this shore at 1.30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Forty minutes later the ship's bow rose from the water and she sank by the stern. Thousands of people stood on shore and watched her go down.

Two steamers were in the vicinity, one of which, the Paignton, of Liverpool, rescued the crew of 33, and local lifeboats brought them ashore amid the cheers of the populace. The captain of the Bengrove made this statement:

"We had no warning. There was a loud explosion forward which threw all off their feet and covered them with debris and coal, but nobody was seriously hurt. We took to the boats quickly and orderly. We watched the ship sink and then came ashore through the agency of the Paignton."

BRITISH STATEMENT ON COTTON CARGOES

Those Consigned to Enemy Ports Will Not Be Allowed to Proceed

Washington, March 9.—The following statement has been issued at the British embassy on the subject of American cotton cargoes going to Europe:

"Many inquiries have been received as to the treatment to be accorded to cotton shipped to Europe in view of the restrictive measures proposed to be taken by the allied governments.

"As already announced, there is no question of confiscating cotton cargoes that may come within the scope of the order-in-council to be issued. The following arrangements has been come to in London as to cotton consigned to neutral ports only:

"All cotton for which contracts of sale and freight engagements had already been made before March 2, to be allowed free (or to be bought at contract price if stopped), provided ships sail not later than March 31.

"Similar treatment to be accorded to all cotton insured before March 2, provided it is put on board not later than March 16.

"All shipments of cotton claiming above protection to be declared before sailing and documents produced to and certificates obtained from consular officers or other authority fixed by governments. Ships or cargoes consigned to enemy ports will not be allowed to proceed."

CARRANZA'S MEN SEIZE A BRITISH STEAMSHIP

Detain Wyvisbrook at Campeche and Throw Captain Into Jail, Says Message From Progreso.

New Orleans, La., March 9.—The British steamer Wyvisbrook has been seized by Carranza authorities at Campeche, and her commander, Captain Muir, has been placed in jail, according to mail advices reaching here from Progreso.

The Wyvisbrook is a steamship of 1964 registered tons.

The advices came from what is regarded as a thoroughly reliable source.

The Wyvisbrook sailed from New Orleans for Progreso on February 15. Captain Muir found that the port of Progreso had been closed by Carranza authorities, the message says, and proceeded to Campeche. There Carranza officials boarded the vessel, took charge and placed Captain Muir in prison. No further details were given.

The Constitutionalist consular agent's report said he received unofficial advices several days ago that Captain Muir, on his arrival at Campeche, was ordered by the Carranza military authorities to pay a fine or his vessel would be seized and himself placed in prison.

The advices from Progreso were brought by the first vessel to sail from there since Carranza declared the port closed, on February 18. This vessel left Progreso only after the gunboat Progreso had been sunk by an explosion on board and Carranza troops had been driven out of the town by opposition forces.

CANADA'S TRADE WITH THE MOTHER COUNTRY

Ottawa, March 9.—British trade returns received by the department of trade and commerce for the year 1914, including five months of the war, show that in spite of abnormal conditions Canada's exports to Great Britain show a considerable increase as compared with 1913. For the full year Canadian produce sent to Great Britain was $4,652,000 greater than in 1913, and $22,690,000 greater than in 1912. For the final quarter of last year the British imports from Canada were approximately nine and one half millions in excess of those of the last quarter of 1913, principally due to the large trade in foodstuffs and other supplies bought from Canada consequent upon the war.

British exports to Canada, however, show a marked decline, especially during the last half of the year. The decrease for the six months in comparison with the corresponding period of 1913 was $20,168,000. For the full year Canada's purchases from Great Britain were $32,654,000 less than in 1913.

The increase in purchases last year were the more important when it is borne in mind that Great Britain's total imports from British possessions last year were about $17,200,000 less than in 1913.

WILL NOT TRANSPORT GOODS OF GERMAN ORIGIN

Copenhagen, March 9.—All Scandinavian shipowners have agreed to decline to transport goods of German origin to the United States or Mediterranean ports in order to avoid seizure by French or British warships. The United Steamship company and the Scandinavian-American lines have published the following announcement: "Goods to America and Mediterranean ports must in future be accompanied by declaration of origin."

BATTERIES SILENCED AND SHIPS DESTROYED

London, March 9.—On behalf of the Russian naval general staff, the official press bureau last night made the following announcement:

"On Sunday our fleet bombarded Zunguldiak, Kozlon and Kilimli (ports on the Black Sea), destroying all plants for the shipment of coal.

"The bombardment was followed by a terrific explosion and fire. Four batteries were silenced and eight steamers destroyed. Our casualties were three men wounded."

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SUBMARINE WARFARE HAS BEEN FAILURE

Germans Sank Only Fifteen British Ships From Jan. 21 to March 3

London, March 9.—Fifteen British steamers sunk out of a total of 8,749 vessels of more than 500 tons which were on their way to or from British ports from January 21 to March 3, was the record achievement of German submarines, according to figures issued by the Admiralty.

Vessels of all nationalities were taken into account, excluding, however, those used by the Admiralty for navy and military purposes.

Twenty-nine members of crews of the steamers torpedoed lost their lives. The total number of vessels which arrived at British ports during this period was 4,619, while the number which departed was 4,115.

BRITISH INFLICTED VERY HEAVY LOSSES

London, March 9.—In a statement issued last evening regarding the recent fighting between British troops and Turkish forces at the head of the Persian Gulf, the official press bureau said:

"The enemy's losses near Ahwaz (in Khuzistan) on March 3 were heavier than previously reported. Six hundred were killed and many were wounded.

"In the action on the western flank the enemy lost 300 men killed."

SPECIAL HOSPITAL UNDER ROCKEFELLER INSTITUTE

Paris, March 9.—A special hospital to be devoted exclusively to the care of wounded soldiers whose cases require delicate surgical operations will be opened this week at Compiegne under the direction of Dr. Alexis Carrel, of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.

Particular attention will be devoted to the study of gaseous gangrene, for the treatment of which a new serum recently has been discovered.

MEXICAN BANDIT CAUGHT.

Salt Lake City, Ut., March 9.—A telegram has been received by Sheriff John Corless from Nogales, Arizona, announcing the capture there of Raphael Lopez, Mexican bandit, who more than a year ago terrorized Bingham, Utah, killing six deputy sheriffs before his escape.

A. B. HUNT IS CANDIDATE.

Bury, Quebec, March 9.—A. B. Hunt, ex-M. P. P., was unanimously chosen Liberal candidate for the Federal house at the Compton County Liberal convention held on Saturday.

STRICTER MEASURES FOR SUBMARINE CREWS

London, March 9.—The Admiralty announces that it is not justified in extending honors to the captured crews of German submarines, owing to their methods, and that it is intended to segregate them under special restrictions pending their possible conviction at the conclusion of peace.

The Admiralty states that this ruling applies to the 29 officers and men of the German submarine U-8, which was sunk recently off Dover.

The policy to be adopted toward the crews of German submarines is in answer to the demand of Admiral Lord Charles Beresford (retired) and others that such men be tried for murder, and the Admiralty statement indicates that the government has this in mind.

SUPREME COURT ADJOURNS.

Ottawa, March 9.—The supreme court yesterday heard the case of Shajoe Ram vs. The King. This was an appeal from the court of appeal for British Columbia, which sustained, Mr. Justice Irving dissenting, a conviction of the appellant for perjury. Judgment was received. This case concluded the hearing of appeals for this term. The court adjourned until Monday, March 15, when judgments will be pronounced.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Montreal, March 9.—The police have arrested Sebastiano Orano, an Italian. He is being held for the murder of Andria Dominico, an Italian residing in St. Cecile street, last Saturday night.

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ILL AT BUDAPEST.

New York, March 9.—Relatives of Countess Laszlo Szechenyi, formerly Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, daughter of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, said to-day that they had received no direct information that the countess has been ill in Budapest.

A dispatch to the Times from London states that private advices say the countess contracted smallpox and has been dangerously ill for a fortnight. Count Szechenyi is serving with his regiment in the Austrian army and the countess was working in a military hospital in Budapest when she fell ill, according to the dispatch.

It was stated that the countess was doing well.

"Your Honor," said the arrested chauffeur, "I tried to warn the man, but the horn would not work. "Then why did you not slacken speed, rather than run him down?" A light seemed to dawn upon the prisoner. "That's one on me. I never thought of that."

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A story that bears on the cast-iron of German militarism was told at a recent recruiting meeting. Shortly before an eclipse of the sun, the colonel of a Prussian regiment sent for his sergeants. "There will be an eclipse of the sun to-morrow," he said. "The regiment will meet on the parade ground in undress. I will come and explain the eclipse before drill. If the day is cloudy, the men will meet in the drill shed as usual." The order of the day when published ran: "To-morrow morning, by order of the colonel, there will be an eclipse of the sun. The regiment will meet on parade ground, where the colonel will come and superintend the eclipse in person. If the sky is cloudy, the eclipse will take place in the drill shed."

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RUSHING THE ELECTION.

The haste with which an election is being imposed upon the province at this time is on a par with the general record of the government for which popular approval is sought. It is fondly hoped by the administration organizers that the opposition will be unable to put up a fight except under grave disadvantages; that the electors will not have time to grasp the critical features of the situation or to appreciate the possible consequences of a vote of confidence in a government whose creed, according to its leader, is "to get in and when you are in to stay in." The government machine is ready, lubricated with the money contributed by those privileged interests in whose behalf the resources and the credit of the province are being squandered. Reliance is not going to be placed upon the histrionics and platitudes of the Premier or even upon the much more subtle platform deliverances of the Attorney-General, but upon the coarse work of Beaver Clubs whose practices are such as to make a Grand Sachem of Tammany blush. In this city it will be the "statesmanship" of Harry Price that the electors will be expected to endorse, for not more than a fortnight ago that gentleman was confirmed in his control of the destinies of his party here without a dissenting voice.

Yesterday we pointed out that if the electorate returned the administration of Sir Richard McBride, no matter upon what issue he may scrape up, the Premier would interpret the result as a mandate to grant more aid to the railroad corporations, which under existing agreements are going to cost the taxpayers of the province $3,500,000 a year in interest on bonds guaranteed by them. The interest liability of the province on account of the Canadian Northern Pacific railroad alone is $2,053,875. The promoters of that piratical institution, who are also its owners, declared its bankruptcy to the Ottawa government last year and obtained a bond guarantee of $45,000,000, the greater part of which was to defray liabilities to banks, contractors and equipment companies. Only a relatively small part of those bonds has been disposed of and the promoters are seeking further assistance. They themselves, although multi-millionaires, have not put a solitary cent of their own money into the road. On the contrary, through the twenty-nine or thirty subsidiary corporations which they control—from Mackenzie & Mann, railway contractors, to the equipment and supply companies—they have enriched themselves through profits on construction. Do the people of British Columbia want five years more of this sort of thing? Do they want a continuation of those conditions under which a compliant government adds to the staggering obligations now faced by the province every time the Canadian Northern or Pacific Great Eastern finds itself in financial difficulties? Do they wish to see this province become the pocket borough of Sir William Mackenzie and Sir Donald Mann?

Five years ago the electors of Victoria voted enthusiastically for the attractively ornamented programme of railroad construction submitted by Sir Richard McBride. They were told that this city was to be a terminus of the great railway enterprise undertaken by those two wonder-workers whose pictures looked out from the pages of our ecstatic contemporary almost every Sunday morning. A magnificent ferry system was to connect Vancouver Island with Englishman's Bluff on the mainland. To quote the chief government organ in this city, Victorians would be able to board a Pullman at the city terminal and never leave it until they arrived at Montreal. All this enticing programme was to be completed by the summer of 1914, failing which, Sir Richard solemnly assured the electors he would resign. Is Sir Richard resigning? Not by a long shot. He is seeking a five years' extension of life in office and authority to bleed the country still further in the interests of those railroad companies which, we were informed in 1909 and 1912, would not require any more aid than that granted to them by the original contracts.

"DER TAG."

The delirium of joy with which the German people welcomed the German admiralty's announcement of a "blockade" of the British Isles was amusing. According to Berlin and provincial newspapers received at Copenhagen and Amsterdam the credulous German public actually believed that Britain's destruction would be accomplished in a few weeks. "Der Tag," February 18, was to be the beginning of the end. The British people were reported in the "Magdeburgische Zeitung" to be terror stricken.

What a dull thud there would be in Germany if the deluded victims of the German admiralty really knew how futile has been the new variation of frightfulness, about which there was so much characteristic brag, bluff and bluster! From January 21 to March 3 there were nearly nine thousand arrivals and departures of vessels over 300 tons at and from British ports. Of these only fifteen ships were sunk and they were of the smallest and slowest class. On the other hand the loss of seven German submarines has been admitted by the Berlin "Tageblatt." As one submarine costs several times as much as the average freighter that has been sunk by torpedoes, the blockade, while not injuring Great Britain, is proving somewhat costly to Germany.

WHAT "KULTUR" HAS DONE.

Hymns of Hate, the substitution of "God Punish England" for the ordinary salutations of the street, the weird incoherence of German professors and the ravings of the German press afford abundant testimony to the extent to which the Prussian system has ravaged the mind of the nation. The world is contemplating the unedifying spectacle of a people who believe themselves destined by the Almighty to dominate it acting like spanked children, to quote the apt phrase of the New York Journal of Commerce. They approved of the violation of Belgium and the hideous cruelties perpetrated on the unhappy populace of that innocent state; they gloated over the outrage upon the people of northern France; they defended the destruction of Louvain and Rheims; they exulted in the piracy and blackmail which have characterized the course of the murderous Huns they have sent into the field, and now, when through the instrumentality of Great Britain they are prevented from extending their reign of terror, they whine like whipped mongrels and call on God to punish England. Belgium is not whining or shrieking out frenzied blasphemy. France is not whining, nor is Servia. The system that has enslaved the German people, made them the docile supporters of naked brutality, deprived them of the inclination and the ability to govern themselves, has crushed out their courage also. Chanting "hymns of hate," inculcating in their little children the savagery of the jungle, they are not morally brave enough to withstand the faintest suggestion of bad news from the field or the sea. This is what Prussian "Kultur" has done to the German people.

A CONGRESSIONAL JOKE.

On the adjournment of the United States Congress it was announced officially that during the recess President Wilson would take personal charge of international affairs. This meant that for a time at least Mr. Bryan would be relegated to a back seat. Mr. Wilson's secretary of state is no doubt an orator of parts, but he is not the man, according to the press of the republic, to be entrusted with affairs of great international import during a world crisis. Certainly the United States has not gained any considerable prestige as a world power under the guidance of Mr. Bryan, nor has the fame of President Wilson been increased during the past six months. Ever since the war began the German element in the country has been not only openly agitating against the cause of the allies notwithstanding the president's proclamation of neutrality, but it has been using certain ports of the United States practically as naval bases and ships flying the United States flag for carrying supplies from such bases to German war vessels foraging on the Atlantic and the Pacific. Now that the German fleet has been rendered non-effective, part of it being destroyed and the remainder bottled up or scattered, now that there appears to be no longer any profit in illicit commerce with the enemies of the allies, Congress theatrically passes the following resolution:

"Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America that from and after the passage of this resolution and during the existence of a war to which the United States is not a party and in order to prevent the neutrality of the United States from being violated by the use of its territory, its ports or its territorial waters, as the base of operation for the armed forces of a belligerent, contrary to the obligations imposed by the law of nations, the treaties to which the United States is a party or contrary to the statues of the United States, the president be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to direct the collectors of customs under the jurisdiction of the United States to withhold clearance from any vessel of American register or license which he has reasonable cause to believe to be about to carry fuel, arms, ammunition, men or supplies to any warship or tender or supply ship of a belligerent nation or to commit any other similar act in aid of the prosecution of hostilities in violation of the obligation of the United States as a neutral nation."

The president also is authorized to employ the land and naval forces of the republic for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this belated resolution.

The resignation of the Honorable Price Ellison, Minister of Finance and Agriculture, was not unexpected. His transaction with the Essondale Colony Farm, a service of the government of which he was a member, was inexcusable even though he derived no financial benefit from it. Mr. Ellison was a genial, courteous minister, who was well liked personally, but who was not adapted by temperament, experience or training for the office to which he was called by the Premier. In other provinces the portfolio of finance in many respects is the most important post in the cabinet. But in British Columbia, when the late Captain Tatlow, who was an able minister, resigned, it was deemed expedient in the interests of the political designs of the government to select one not sufficiently initiated in matters of political economy to offer inconvenient opposition whenever reckless expenditures were contemplated. We hope Mr. Ellison's successor will have some of the qualities of Captain Tatlow.

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Says our morning contemporary: "We have on one occasion at least said that there is not much that a government can do to assist the individual farmer. This statement has been criticized, but it is absolutely true." Then it goes on to say with that refreshing inconsequentiality so familiar to those who endeavor to grasp its peculiar logic: "All that a government can hope to do is to make the work a little easier for him. This can be done by providing facilities for transportation, by assisting in the improvement of live stock, by advertising the products of the country, by encouraging co-operation, by affording education on farming matters to those who seek it, and last, but not least, by providing reasonable agricultural credits, on terms that will not be onerous."

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Well, no matter what happens, the Premier cannot accuse his chief journalistic supporter of lack of zeal in earning its annual thirty-five-thousand-dollar subsidy. This morning it tried to show that in foisting an election upon the public at this inopportune period Sir Richard placed himself in the class of Asquith and Sir Edward Grey. In view of the fact that far from creating political discord during a great imperial crisis the two eminent British statesmen invited the co-operation of their political opponents, the comparison would be pathetic if it were not so ludicrous.

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Having read that Lloyds were gambling some time ago on the prospect of the war ending by March 31; that Gabriel D'Annunzio, the celebrated Italian author, said it would end in a fortnight, and that Madam Thebes had predicted its conclusion some time in April, Sir Richard McBride decided to take no chances and announced his election for April 10. There is such an intimate connection between the war and the political fortunes of the McBride government, according to the Colonist this morning, that it would be a terrible thing if the conflict suddenly collapsed and left Sir Richard without an excuse for an appeal to the people.

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According to our contemporary Sir Richard has received messages from various parts of Canada and the United Kingdom congratulating him on his decision to continue his identification with the public affairs of British Columbia. In view of the fact that rumor has credited the Premier with the intention of entering public life at Ottawa or London, the compliment implied by these congratulatory messages is somewhat left-handed. Would it be in order to assume that London and Ottawa are delighted to learn that Sir Richard cherishes no such aspirations.

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Sir Richard McBride's decision to have an election in thirty days is not very flattering to the Attorney-General. The latter has declared that he has nothing to conceal or fear in connection with Dominion Trust disclosures, but the Premier evidently is not disposed to take any chances.

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Our contemporary predicts that the election literature of the opposition will consist chiefly of wild assertion and unlimited abuse. It certainly will not include forged telegrams and falsification of the records.

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NEW FORTRESSES.

(Army and Navy Journal.)

The ease with which the Germans successively captured Liege, Namur, Antwerp and the camp retranches of Maubeuge, Lille, Laon-La Fere and Rheims, all very strong positions on paper, has proved rather damaging to the prestige of permanent fortifications. Yet there is no case for a wholesale condemnation of forts when circumstances are carefully examined. Both Belgian and French fortresses were sadly out of date in armament as well as in defensive organization and were crushed at long range by an artillery of superior calibre (280, 305 and 420 millimeters), to which they could make no effective reply. . . .

But, of course, reliable information as to the value of fortifications can only be derived from a study of the way modern fortresses have stood the test of war. Now the camps retranches of Verdun, Toul, Epinal and Belfort are the only ones that deserve at all to be called modern, having been the object of ceaseless improvements in recent years, though at the beginning of the war they were not quite up to date in armament, not having received the long-range guns that now arm them. And it is a fact that they have up to the present defied the whole might of heavy German guns and the repeated and well-led attacks of the masses of German infantry, especially Verdun, which is yet partly encircled, though at very long distance, over 20,000 yards. These camps retranches, which have been wonderfully improved both in armament and in defensive qualities since the war, having got rid of their civilian population, and are defended by armies animated with the spirit of offensive. They have fulfilled the role expected of them and must be considered as inexpugnable, even should the fortune of war cause them to be blockaded.

So fortifications have come to stay, though it is agreed that the present war will lead to a series of modifications in design and armament. The small fort of circular shape, with its batteries, powder magazines and garrison quarters crowded over a limited area—a true "nid a bombes," said Gen. Langlois—may be considered a thing of the past. The large French fort of the future will aim at being superior to all comers for range, and it ought to be when it is considered that its armament can be transported and fitted at leisure in time of peace. Its long guns of naval type of extreme calibre and range will command, with the help of aeroplanes, a radius of some 18,000 to 20,000 yards round. They will be placed under imperviable armor and be made proof against any aerial projectiles. An elaborate system of trenches for infantry at long distance, shelters dispersed over a vast area from the central position, safe garrison together with quick means of transportation for smaller artillery, are also to be adopted. But superiority for range over field armies must remain the first desiratum in all places-fortes worth that name.

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A GERMAN'S OATH.

Montreal Star.

The Toronto police court furnished an excellent example, the other day, of German Treitschkeism carried toward its logical conclusions. A German army officer, suspected of perjury in connection with some evidence he had given before the magistrate, explained that while the evidence in question might have been false—in fact, was false—he did not feel himself bound to the narrower conventions of strict veracity as he had not taken the German oath.

To carry this gentleman's line of reasoning one step further, is there any consideration of ordinary truth or decency which may bind the German private citizen? If kaiser and imperial chancellor may lie and cheat "for reasons of state," if the German officer may perjure himself under oath to save his skin, is there any reason why a German merchant should not lie and cheat to save his dollars? All he need do is convince his conscience that his welfare is the welfare of the fatherland and Treitschkeism will do the rest.

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A DESPERATE BLUFF.

Wall Street Journal.

When General Von Kluck was defeated in his attempt to carry the city of Paris in one supreme rush, it was pointed out in these columns that Germany was beaten, and that she had an opportunity to make peace on more favorable terms than she could ever get again. Events have justified that inference. But no man could have foreseen that in a bare six months Germany, blind, furious, futile and despairing, would be fighting like a cornered rat, and screaming like a smacked baby. Without exception, the world's most tremendous bluff was the German war machine. Every threat is a bluff; and that was a threat which terrorized the world for forty years.

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THE TASK OF THE NAVY.

(Pall Mall Gazette.)

To insure every square mile of the North Sea itself, from the Shetlands to the mouth of the Thames, being kept under observation, at least six hundred scouting vessels would be needed, for under the most favorable atmospheric conditions barely three hundred square miles can be swept from the crow's nest of a cruiser; and the German fleet can select its own time and place for its heroic bombardment of undefended towns. And in the Pacific and Indian oceans, where for a brief period German cruisers were at large, the water area for their operations extended to 90,000,000 square miles!

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THE GRIP ON GERMANY'S THROAT.

(New York Evening Post.)

And now a German naval expert, Capt. Persius, points out regretfully that the English sea-power has fulfilled its mission—has driven German commerce from the sea and reduced the German fleet to impotence. It is certain that this great outstanding result of the naval war is not going to be reversed, or essentially changed, by the exploits of a few lurking German submarines. They may inflict damage upon English shipping; they may provoke fresh outcries against German ruthlessness; they may raise up new enemies for Germany; but they cannot break the grip which England is able to hold upon the throat of Germany through the command of the sea.

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NOT NEW IDEA.

Westminster Gazette.)

To stop our transports, if she can, is a quite legitimate act of war on the part of Germany, and it is idle to suppose that she has not thought of it or attempted it till now. That this intention should be advertised as new is mere flummery, and the threats of piracy with which it is now accompanied are merely evidence of its non-success till now, and the consequent irritation.

WAR'S MOST TOUCHING EVENT.

Cincinnati Times-Star.

The sudden revival of the self-respect of the French people; the sudden return of confidence in their ability and their right to hold a place in the world, is easily the most touching event of the great war up to the present time.

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Providence Journal.

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Back to Country Life.—Look in this week's programme of Pantages, Princess and Columbia theatres for the above item.

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Building Permits.—Building permits have been issued to Percy Leach for a small house at 1655 North Dairy road, and to J. W. Ackerman, for additions at 20 Lewis street.

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To Probe Escape.—At the meeting of the city police commissioners this afternoon the circumstances of the escape of Huddleston from the city lockup will be probed. The attempted suicide of a white man in the cells recently on account, as he alleged, of the proximity of Chinese prisoners, will also be before the commissioners.

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Jitney Regulations.—With the provisions laid down in the Vancouver charter amendment giving the city council power to regulate jitneys, in the same way as the general amendment to the Municipal act regulates the situation in other municipalities, the Vancouver city council is already commencing to draft regulations which will be before its finance committee on Friday.

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Rehearsal of "Handel."—The regular weekly rehearsal of Handel's oratorio, "Samson" will be held in the First Presbyterian church schoolroom this evening at 8 o'clock. Last Tuesday the rehearsal was devoted to part practice for ladies only, and a splendid rehearsal was held. To-night all the parts are to be present, and all the members of the chorus are requested to be present and bring their copies.

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Service Rifle Practice.—H. Company of 50th Highlanders practiced with the service rifle last Saturday afternoon, some good scores being made, although the heavy shower interfered with some of the shooting. J. Hibberson, recently promoted from "B" class, won the gold button in "A" class; L. Crease won the silver button in "B" class with a fine score of 67; and J. Wood won the bronze button in "C" class. J. Wood and G. T. Livingstone qualified for "B" class.

Victoria Volunteer Reserve Dance, Connaught hall, Thursday, March 11, from 9 p. m., until 2 a. m. Supper served free. Double ticket, $1.00; extra lady, 50 cents.

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W. C. T. U.—The central union will hold their regular monthly meeting on Thursday next, March 11, at 3 o'clock in the Y. W. C. A.

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Monthly Business Meeting.—The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Congregational church will hold their monthly business meeting in the ladies' parlor to-morrow at 3 o'clock.

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Tea and Sale.—The ladies of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church are arranging for a tea and sale of home cooking on the afternoon of St. Patrick's day, March 17.

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Unemployed Committee.—The two Socialist members of the late legislature, Parker Williams and John Place, will speak at the Crystal theatre on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the unemployment committee.

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"The Land Question."—To-night at Unitarian church, F. Davey will deliver an address on "The Land Question." F. P. Rand will take the chair at 8 o'clock. A number of well known single-taxers will take part in the proceedings.

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Saanich Waterworks. — At the meeting of the works committee of the Saanich council this afternoon, it was expected that arrangements would be made for the opening of tenders for waterworks materials, which close Friday, so that they could be tabulated for presentation to the next council meeting.

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To Enforce By-law. — The police commissioners have ordered that the practice of cyclists hanging on the motor cars and street cars is to be stopped, and those who offend in this regard and are caught are to be prosecuted under the by-law that prohibits it. The practice seems to have been increased, and for the safety of those who indulge in it, the police are ordered to act.

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Expected Here This Month.—Robert Brent Mosher, who has been appointed to succeed the late Abraham Smith as United States consul at Victoria, will probably arrive to take over his new duties during the latter part of the month, according to R. M. Newcomb, vice-consul, who has had charge of the office since the death of Mr. Smith.

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Do you know that no grocer can be sure of getting the same quality of tea in bulk twice running? It is impossible for him to have the extensive machinery that makes it possible to blend the choicest teas in varying proportions to form an absolutely uniform tea like "Salada." So true is this, that many grocers will neglect quality and only think of the greater profit that bulk tea affords them.

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Board of Trade Excursion. — The secretary of the board of trade has requested all members, who wish to join in the trip to Impoco to attend the opening of the Imperial Oil Company's refinery there, to send in their names to him so that all necessary arrangements may be made without delay. The excursion will leave Vancouver at 1.45 p. m. and, returning, will leave Impoco for Vancouver at 6.30.

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Tacks Put on Roads.—At several points in the city where jitney cars congregate there have been large supplies of tacks spread over the roadway much to the detriment of the jitney business. The spreading of the tacks acted against the welfare of the private automobile drivers also, a large number of cars getting punctured tires. There has been a reward offered for the discovery of the person who is responsible for the matter.

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Recommended for Service.—Lieut. E. O. Wheeler, R. E., serving with the 1st Sappers and Miners, Indian army, has been recommended by Field-Marshal Sir John French for gallant and distinguished service in the field. The name is mentioned in dispatches of January 14. Lieut. Wheeler is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Wheeler, of Sidney, B. C., and is a graduate of the Royal Military college, Kingston, Ont. For the past three or four years he has been in India.

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Volunteer Reserve Dance.—The Victoria Volunteer Reserve dance will take place at Connaught hall on Thursday, March 11, at 9 p. m. As the proceeds are for a good object it is hoped there will be a good attendance.

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Shamrock Tea.—The Ladies' Aid of the James Bay Methodist church are giving a shamrock tea at the residence of Mrs. J. Patrick, 425 Michigan street, to-morrow afternoon from 3 to 6, for the benefit of the church.

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Empress Rifle Club.—The Empress Rifle club will hold a dance on March 18, at the Connaught hall, for the purpose of raising money for the purchase of new rifles for the club. Miss Thain's orchestra will supply the music.

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Singing Competition.—Some arrangement will probably be made by the city school board in the near future for the singing competitions in the city schools for the lieutenant-governor's shields. In consequence of past experience it is probable a change will be made in the method by which the selection of the winning schools has been made.

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Wants License Transferred. — A meeting of the license commissioners of the Oak Bay municipality will be held to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock. Among other matters the application of Mrs. Lipsky for the transference of the Willows hotel license to her name will be considered. A. Lipsky, in whose name the license is held at present, died recently.

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For Widows and Orphans.—A committee has been formed to receive subscriptions for the relief of the widows and orphans of the unfortunate miners who lost their lives in the South Wellington disaster on February 9. Subscriptions, however small, will be thankfully received and acknowledged by N. Wright, treasurer of the relief committee, P. O. box 6, South Wellington, B. C.

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Lady Douglas Chapter.—At a special meeting of the Lady Douglas chapter held yesterday afternoon final arrangements were made for the anniversary tea to be held in the ballroom of the Empress hotel on Monday, March 15, commemorating the landing of Sir James Douglas on March 14, 1843. Mrs. McMicking, the regent, presided, and there were about thirty members present. Twenty nominations for the Provincial chapter, which has its annual meeting this month, were made.

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Commences Here To-morrow.—The twenty-second session of the grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen of British Columbia will be held here commencing to-morrow at 10 a. m. The officers and delegates from Vancouver who are appointed to attend are: Dr. W. H. B. Anderson, P. G. M.; F. W. Welsh, P. G. M.; F. L. Budlong, P. G. M.; S. M. Eveleigh, P. G. M.; J. P. Nightingale, L. C., and R. H. Macauley and H. Harrison, delegates.

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Addresses on Soldiers' Letters.—R. M. Coulter, deputy postmaster-general, has called attention through branch post offices throughout the Dominion, to the importance of correctly addressing letters destined for the troops. The following facts should be enumerated in the addresses in order to facilitate the handling of mail at the front, and to insure prompt delivery: (a) rank; (b) name; (c) regimental number; (d) company, squadron, battery, or other unit; (e) battalion; (f) brigade; (g) first (or second) Canadian contingent; (h) British expeditionary force, Army Post Office, London, England.

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Lillooet Train Service. — Regular train service between Squamish and Lillooet, 120 miles north of the Howe Sound terminals, was instituted by the Pacific Great Eastern Railway yesterday morning. Mixed freight and passenger trains will be operated each way three times a week, making connections with the boat to and from Vancouver. Northbound the trains will leave Squamish on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons at 1 o'clock. Returning trains will leave Lillooet at 2.15 o'clock p. m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The boat leaves Vancouver at 9.15 o'clock each morning and returns about 6 o'clock in the evening.

AN EARLY EASTER THIS YEAR

Easter comes on—the first Sunday in April and that means early spring business for the stores.

It means the new styles will be ready earlier and that the stores are now in full spring attire.

Many decided changes in designs and fabrics will be shown this season.

The advertising columns are already telling the story which will grow more interesting from day to day.

To miss the advertising in the Times these days will be to miss some of the best news of the paper.

SUES FOR COMMISSION

Real Estate Trade Fell Through and Agent Now Asks Payment For Services.

The difficulties that real estate agents meet with in selling property or trying to effect trades between clients were demonstrated by a case before Judge Lampman this morning, in which the negotiations had been carried along perfectly up to the point of signing the final agreements, when they broke down because both sides claimed there were things that were not quite in order. The case is that of Beale against Owen, the latter having started the negotiations that led to the parties going to law.

Negotiations were carried along by the plaintiff, who is a real estate agent, for the exchange of property at Edmonton for property at Denman Island. He had been engaged by the defendant, who, when it came to a settlement after a temporary agreement had been signed, admitted he did not own the property, but that it belonged to his wife.

The property at Denman Island was owned by Dr. Barthold, who found, when he inquired about the Edmonton property taxes that they were overdue to a considerable extent. He declined to sign the final agreement until this matter was satisfactorily settled. The defendant to the present action then found more trouble, and claimed that the Denman Island property was likely to be some acres less than represented because of a government claim on some of the land that might be exercised.

With apparent faults on both sides the deal was never completed, the agent was paid $100 by Dr. Barthold for services rendered and now claims $500 from the defendant Owen.

There are several witnesses to be heard. Mr. Phelan appears for the plaintiff, and Mr. MacLean for the defendant.

EMPLOYMENT ON RESERVE

Suburban Councils Think No Discrimination Should be Made in Selection of Men.

The suburban councils which have an unemployed problem of their own, and particularly Saanich and Esquimalt, are anxious that their needy residents should be engaged in the work on the old Indian reserve, and that no discrimination should be given to city laborers only.

The Central bureau, by whom some of the labor has been engaged, has over 1400 names on the register, and in Saanich there are some 700 to 800 known unemployed. Esquimalt has about 250 men in urgent need of employment, and in the latter case the impossibility of placing the Esquimalt man who applied at the Central bureau led to the reeve receiving a complaint.

Reeve McAdam spoke forcibly on the subject this morning, as this is a provincial work in which the whole community has to participate. He said the city's attitude in this matter was one which did not make for harmony between the councils, for work should be provided for the necessitious irrespective of residence. He indicated that the matter would be taken up with R. H. Pooley, M. P. P., to see that Esquimalt residents had a fair share of the openings which offered.

METROPOLIS BLOCK

Application Affecting it Will be Before License Commissioners To-morrow.

At the first statutory session of the city license commissioners to-morrow afternoon the principal application before the commissioners will be for the transfer of the license held for the Panama hotel, Johnson street, to the Metropolis building, Yates street.

While this large block on Yates, between Douglas street and Blanshard street, was under construction, it was contemplated that there would be a license required, and shortly before the saloons were extinguished in Victoria fourteen months ago an attempt was made to effect a transfer of one of the dying saloon licenses, but the commissioners declined to support the proposal at that time, the building at that time being unfinished.

This is the only application for a transfer from premises to premises. There are several transfers of licenses to be sought from person to person, among them being the Brown Jug hotel license from R. E. Noble to Robert Dowswell.

Silver Medal Contest.—An enthusiastic audience in the Esquimalt Methodist church on Friday evening listened to a very interesting contest participated in by three young ladies and two young men for a silver medal donated by the West End Women's Christian Temperance union. The judges, Miss Jubb and Messrs. Pringle and Gee, had a difficult task to decide on the respective merits of the budding platform orators, but finally awarded the prize to Miss Violet Evans. The musical portion of the programme was of a most entertaining nature, the following contributing to its numbers: Misses Rowe, Bailey, and Miller, Mrs. Robinson, the Messrs. Young, White, and Lee, and the choir of the church. The proceeds were contributed to the cause of the Men's mission, Store St.

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"Among the Breakers."—The Western Star Dramatic society will give a play entitled "Among The Breakers" on Monday next, March 15 in Semple's hall. The play was to have been presented some time ago, but was unavoidably postponed.

Columbia Records — Note the Notes

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Tickling Love Taps, from "Suzi." (Perschk.) One-step. Prince's Band.
Sister Susie's Sewing Shirts for Soldiers. (Darewski.) One-step. Prince's Band.
Good-bye, Girls, I'm Through, from "Chin Chin." (Caryll.) One-step. Prince's Band.
Chin Chin Waltz. (Caryll.) Prince's Band.
Millicent Waltz. (McKee.) Prince's Orchestra.
Love's Memories. (Heinzman.) Waltz. Prince's Orchestra.
Valse Boston, from "Les Millions D'Arlequin." (Drigo.) Joan Sawyer's Persian Garden Orchestra.
When You're a Long, Long Way From Home. (Meyer.) One-step. Joan Sawyer's Persian Garden Orchestra.
Three Woodland Dances—No. 1, "Dance of the Dryads." (H. E. Haines.) Southport Corporation Military Band.
Three Woodland Dances—No. 2, "A Woodland Serenade." (H. E. Haines.) Southport Corporation Military Band.
Three Woodland Dances—No. 3, "Fauns in the Forest." (H. E. Haines.) Southport Corporation Military Band.
Berceuse de "Jocelyn" (Angels Guard Thee). (B. Godard.) Southport Corporation Military Band.

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Very finest Jap Rice, 50-lb. sack $2.24
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Blue Label Catsup, bottle 24¢
Oxo Cubes, tin 10¢ and 25¢
Sweet Chocolate Bar, 20¢, 25¢
These are the articles the soldiers appreciate.
McLaren's Imperial Cheese, per jar, 24¢ and.....48¢

Breakfast Cheese, each ... 8¢
Dr. Price's or Royal Baking Powder, tin .....34¢
Cream of Wheat, packet...19¢
Shredded Wheat Biscuits, per packet .....11¢
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An unusual comedy.

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Singing and Dancing Act.

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An Irishman entered a country inn and called for a glass of the best Irish whisky. After being supplied he drank it, and was about to walk out when the following conversation took place: Landlord—"Here, sir, you haven't paid for that whisky you ordered." Irishman—"What's that you say?" Landlord—"I said you hadn't paid for that whisky you ordered." Irishman—"Did you pay for it?" Landlord—"Of course I did." Irishman—"Well, then, what's the good of both of us paying for it?"

Some procrastinating customers of a London merchant received cards with the usual words, "Wishing you a Happy Christmas," printed thereon, to which the merchant had added, "and that you settle my little account before the 1st of January so as to prevent legal proceedings!" The result was very satisfactory.

English lady (travelling in Western America)—"The idea of calling this the 'Wild West!' Why, I never saw such politeness anywhere." Cowboy—"We're allers perlite to ladies, ma'am." English lady—"Oh, as for that, there is plenty of politeness everywhere. But I refer to the men. Why, in London the men behave horribly towards one another, but here they treat one another as delicately as gentlemen in a drawing-room." Cowboy—"Yes, ma'am; it's safer."

"Is she going to marry the young man who saved her from drowning?" "I think so." "But is she sure that he is able to support her in the style to which she has been accustomed?" "Yes, she looked him up in Burke before she fell in."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

J. H. Saul, of San Francisco, is at the Dominion hotel.

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E. Gissing, of Toronto, is staying at the Empress hotel.

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F. Talbot, of Nelson, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

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J. M. Scott, of Portland, is registered at the Empress hotel.

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E. M. Amsden, of Duncan, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

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Mrs. Reither, of Chicago, is staying at the Empress hotel.

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D. J. Bruce, of Seattle, is a guest at the King Edward hotel.

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T. Parsell, of Vancouver, is a guest at the King Edward hotel.

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J. H. Williamson, of Toronto, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

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A. T. White, of Seattle, registered at the Empress hotel yesterday.

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William Rae, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Strathcona hotel.

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J. Cairns is registered at the King Edward hotel from Ladysmith.

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J. Burrough is registered at the King Edward hotel from Vancouver.

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John McRae, formerly of Cariboo, is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

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Geo. Brown and M. Dillon, of Edmonton, are at the Dominion hotel.

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M. McIntyre is registered at the Strathcona hotel from Vancouver.

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W. L. Dass, of Vancouver, is registered at the King Edward hotel.

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B. Stanley Ross, of New Westminster, is staying at the Dominion.

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C. Inkster and F. A. Ardagh, of Winnipeg, are at the Dominion hotel.

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W. G. Bell, of Vancouver, is among the guests at the King Edward hotel.

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A. McDonald, of Edmonton, is among the guests at the Strathcona Hotel.

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G. R. McMichael, of Seaforth, registered at the Dominion hotel yesterday.

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G. Ford and B. Boston, of Winnipeg, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

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George Roberts registered at the Strathcona hotel yesterday from Duncan.

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Mrs. Bryanton and family, of Vancouver, are guests of the Dominion hotel.

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Jas J. Riley and Mrs. Riley, of Vancouver, are guests of the Dominion hotel.

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Mrs. G. H. Baker and Miss Iris Baker are staying at the Empress hotel from Auckland.

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J. A. Thomson, of Vancouver, is among those registered at the Strathcona hotel.

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J. G. Thomas, of Saanich, is in the city. He is staying at the King Edward hotel.

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J. L. Macfarlane, of Calex, Cal., is in the city. He is stopping at the King Edward hotel.

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Mrs. C. W. Cross and children, of Edmonton, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

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M. P. Thomson is in the city from Vancouver. He is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

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H. T. Brown, of Vancouver, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the King Edward hotel.

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N. L. Dunn, of San Francisco, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Strathcona hotel.

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Miss K. L. West, from Muskegon, Mich., has returned from a trip to Duncan and is a guest at the Dominion hotel.

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Vancouver arrivals at the Empress hotel yesterday included W. C. F. Gillam, the Vancouver architect; J. R. Reed, W. H. Davis, M. B. O'Dell, W. H. Jaques and J. J. Hanley.

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Mr. and Mrs. Percy F. Horton, of Deer creek, near Salmo, where Mr. Horton is manager of a lead-zinc mine, are in the city on a visit for two or three weeks.

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Vancouver arrivals at the Empress hotel this morning included A. G. Giles, W. E. Wilson, E. A. Magal, D. C. Scott, W. J. Smith, J. E. Stinson, E. S. Vandervoort, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ashe, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Griffen.

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Mrs. W. C. Shiner, of Vancouver, who has been spending the last three months with her parents at Dingley Dell, Victoria Arm, has returned to Vancouver to meet her husband, who is expected soon with his vessel, the Monteagle, from Europe and India.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 9.—5 a. m.—The barometer is abnormally low over the Pacific slope, and fair, mild weather is general with moderate winds along the coast. The weather is fine and moderately cold in the prairie provinces and sharp frosts have extended to the southern states.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, fair and mild.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, fair and mild.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.86; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 40; wind, 16 miles N.; weather, clear.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 36; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.96; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 20; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.76; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 44; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, maximum yesterday, 62; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, maximum yesterday, 62; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 52; wind, 4 miles S.; weather, cloudy.

Temperature.

	Max.	Min.
Penticton	53	..
Nelson	50	..
Calgary	..	10
Edmonton	..	14
Qu'Appelle	..	4
Winnipeg	..	12
Toronto	30	..
Ottawa	32	..
Montreal	18	..
St. John	32	..
Halifax	34	..

Victoria Daily Weather.

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Monday:

Temperature.

Highest	54
Lowest	38
Average	46

Bright sunshine, 9 hours 36 minutes.
General state of weather, fair.

Virginia, at five, was devoted to Bible stories. She knew about Joseph, and grandmother was preparing her for the Exodus. "You see Jacob, whose other name was Israel, went down to Egypt with his children and his grandchildren, and they married and had children, and they kept on increasing until there were hundreds and hundreds of them. And they were all called the 'children of Israel.'" At this point Virginia interrupted politely:—"Grandmother, if you say this is true I will believe it; but very few people have hundreds of children."

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Table Forks	12.00
Soup Spoons	12.00
Dessert Knives	14.40
Table Knives	15.30
Oyster Forks	8.50
Butter Spreaders	9.50
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AT PANTAGES

KATHERYN PARKER

Who appears this week at the popular local vaudeville theatre with her partner in a splendid comedy duologue.

AT THE THEATRES

COLUMBIA.

The popular picture house on Government street was again well patronized last night. The management offered three first class vaudeville acts and four of the latest photoplays. Santa Cruz opened the show with some very clever shadowgraphy. The figures, etc., which he makes with his fingers are depicted on the screen very cleverly. Powell and Juno came next with some lively patter and dancing and put them over very effectively. Mr. Powell's dance is original and clever and received well merited applause at the finish. His Partner, Miss Juno, registered a hit with rag-time pianologue. Lavine and Mathews do a novelty magical act including conjuring, growing flowers, and the liquid contents that spring from apparently empty containers. Their act is very funny and also interesting.

DOMINION THEATRE.

That "The Perils of Pauline" is proving popular at the Dominion there is no question. Pauline is having an exciting trip to a supposed treasure island and meets with many adventures, having to swim ashore as the ship is blown to atoms by an infernal machine. The present episodes contain many thrills, and as the acting and the entire production are up to the exacting Pathe standard, the offering continues to hold the interest, and Pauline's adventures in the coming episodes will certainly be looked forward to. The clever cartoon comedy, "Rastus' Rabid Rabbit Hunt," is also a feature of the present programme and is productive of many a hearty laugh. Pathe Gazette is also shown. Thursday will see the presentation of Sir Gilbert Parker's great play, "The Seats of the Mighty," acted by Lionel Barrymore and other famous stars.

VARIETY THEATRE.

Charlie Chaplin, the world's greatest comedian in "His New Job," together with the Famous Player production, "The Million," in which Edward Abeles is starring, was responsible for the record attendance at the Variety theatre last night.

Chaplin is without a doubt the most popular comedian in the movies today, and his latest production gives full scope for some of the most original comedy ever screened.

All attendance records have been broken in the houses where this film has been shown, and it is booked for more return engagements than any film ever manufactured.

"The Million" is a thrilling mystery farce and presents one of the most remarkable examples of character acting supplied in many years.

The performance will be repeated to-day and to-morrow with matinees daily.

"MY LADY NELL"

Comedy Drama of Gold Mining Days Meets With Enthusiastic Reception on First Night at Princess.

Rarely have patrons of the Princess theatre been given more genuine enjoyment than they were last night, the first night of "My Lady Nell," a comedy drama in four acts, which, with its abundance of good dramatic situations, wholesome humor and tender sentiment, held the interest of the audience unflaggingly until the curtain dropped on the last act. The house was well filled.

Its parts being well-balanced, the play gave almost all the members of the company an opportunity to display their talent at its best, and, with the exception of one or two whose acting at times was hardly animated or convincing enough, they all performed splendidly. Miss Verna Felton scored another success as Nell, the ward of the little gold mining camp in California where the scene of the play was set. There was a charm in her portrayal of the character which the audience found irresistible, and her delightful naivete, enhanced by just the proper modicum of the crisp western mannerisms very quickly induced in the house that mood of sympathy which assures success. Irving Kennedy was in excellent form as Lord Sterling, and Norman Pierce gave a manly, forceful delineation of the character of Dick Carlton, a diamond in the rough. Charles Conners and Mrs. P. R. Allen as "Popes" Finnigan and Moll Casey, respectively more than once provoked the audience to uproarious mirth, and Arthur Kenck in the role of Sterling's valet was but little behind them in respect of the quality of his comedy. Biron Egan's conception of the character of Hump Jones, the villain, was possibly a little over-melodramatic.

A most pleasing item of the programme was the singing of "My Ain Folk" in the second act by Miss Tyrna Saindon. The song was encored again and again. Miss Felton also sang very acceptably.

"My Lady Nell" will be played all this week.

AMUSEMENT AT PANTAGES

Varied Diversion Provided at Popular Vaudeville House; Ventriloquism, Acrobats and Hats.

Three especially clever turns delighted three very good houses at Pantages theatre yesterday afternoon and evening. Judged from the standard of power to entertain, the Tasmanian troupe of lady acrobats, the ventriloquist, and the "aviation hatters" took leading honors, and among them provided sufficient diversion and interest to justify a visit to the theatre. There are good bits in other turns, too.

The Van Dieman girls—six of them—are fine athletic misses, although there was something decidedly more spirituelle in the appearance of two who floated airily in mid-air wearing the draperies of and closely resembling the angels painted by the old Italian masters. In this instance the beings were not wholly freed from sordid earth, however, being borne aloft by the very tenacious grip of teeth on a loop pendant from a revolving cross-bar. The effect was decidedly good. Some of the mid-air somersaults, tumbling, and "human towers" were worthy of the best traditions set by gymnasts of the other sex, and won warm applause.

"The Great Lester" will probably find no counter-claimant to his parenthetical title of "America's foremost ventriloquist." He and his mannequin kept up banter and backtalk so remarkably realistic that at times it was an effort to recall the fact that the latter was but a make-believe boy. The astonishing feat of lighting a cigarette, imbibing a cognac, and interjecting a comment in the midst of a steady flow of conversation on the part of Number Two was carried out without visible sign on the part of the ventriloquist that he was responsible for the diverting talk. This number was as amusing as it was admittedly clever and mystifying.

The Aviation Hatters provoked shouts of laughter with the queer surprises which they sprung on the spectator. There seemed no end to their ingenuity in the handling of the apparently uninteresting circles of straw brim and crown, and a steady stream of gyrating millinery shooting out across the audience and returning safely to the stage brought to a close a very spectacular act which was further puzzling with the assistance of a resourceful jar of water.

A very well-turned out couple were Green and Parker, who had a fund of not always over-polite comedy. But it was comedy nevertheless, and took well. The Bernivici Brothers presented a potted "Night in Venice" which was distinguished by the variety and speediness of the changes of dress, some quite clever comedy spoken through the medium of their violins, and a most effective "drop" representing a Venetian canal. Of "The Devil, the Servant, and the Man" it can be said that Wallace Howe made a much more efficient Devil than Grant Churchill did of "The Servant," a part which requires nothing less than a Forbes Robertson to interpret it with reverence. Mr. Gill himself was good as "The Man," but why the waltz-step exit?

A seasoned old "salt" was a devoted admirer of a young middy who served on the same warship. An accident occurred—a man overboard and a gallant rescue by one of the lieutenants, which brought a handsome letter of commendation from the admiralty. "It's a nice thing to get a letter like that," said the old tar to his young friend. "You ought to have one." "Well, I'll have to wait my chance," said the middy. "See here," said the other, "I'll drop from the rigging, and you jump in and rescue me." "But I can't swim," was the reply. "Never you mind," said the veteran. "I'll hold you up till the boat comes!"

An auction sale was in progress, the "pieces" including a fine-looking parrot, which, however, seemed of rather too taciturn a disposition to attract purchasers. People who have never lived with a parrot believe they would like one that is a good talker, and this showed no sign of oratorical gifts. The auctioneer made up for this deficiency as well as it could be done vicariously. He eulogised the beauty of the silent bird, and insisted that in the home circle it would prove itself the life and soul of the family. The round, watchful eye of the parrot was upon him as he spoke, and when he paused for breath the bird said "Swank?" whereupon vigorous bidding broke out at once. It is upon happy shots like this (says the Manchester Guardian) that so many reputations for wit are established.

At last Salvation Army congress some excellent stories were told. One of the best, a favorite of General Booth's, related to a certain drunkard who fell into the hands of the Salvation Army. "He had been drunk so long," said the general, "that he was able to give us very little information about himself. Eventually, however, we discovered that he was married and that his deserted wife lived in a town in the Midlands. We immediately telegraphed to her: 'We have found your husband.' In a very short time we got the reply: 'You can keep him!'"

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DEPLORES LOWERING OF GRANT TO HOME

Local Council of Women to Investigate City's Obligation to Children

The most important matter under discussion at the meeting of the Local Council of Women held yesterday afternoon was in connection with the reduction of the grant for the Children's Aid. The matter was introduced by Mrs. A. E. McPhillips, who called attention to the hardship inflicted on the Children's Aid Society by the lowering of the city grant for the home from $5,000 to $4,000. The reduction at the present time was particularly unfortunate, as at such times as the country was at present undergoing the number of children who required assistance was greater than usual. The home for some time had been full, and it might be necessary at any time to find shelter for homeless or delinquent children. Special reference was made to the good work being done by Mr. and Mrs. Spofford, who had charge of the home. An appeal was made to the council to assist in covering part of the $1,000 cut off by the lowering of the city grant.

The discussion which followed showed strong feeling among the members of the council at the reduction in the grant. Miss Lawson, Mrs. William Grant and Mrs. Gordon all emphasized the importance and need of the work being done at the home, and referred to the heavy work entailed by Mrs. Spofford and her assistant in looking after the home and the children. Mrs. Day, seconded by Mrs. Hanington, introduced the following resolution, which was passed with unanimity:

"Resolved, that before the council takes any step to supplement the grant made by the city council to the Children's Aid Home, the matter be referred to the committee on laws to ascertain to what extent the children in the home can be made chargeable to the city."

Miss Crease, who was in the chair, read a short report on the annual meeting of the Vancouver Local Council of Women, which had 69 affiliated societies, and had done much practical work through the furtherance of the appointment of women inspectors, and a woman on the medical staff of the city schools.

As council representative on the Central Employment Bureau, Mrs. Gordon reported something of the plan outlined by Dr. Millar, and suggested that if all employers with work took advantage of the suggestions outlined, they would be able to assist the unemployed in a much more practical way than by giving full work to one or two men.

Mrs. Frank Adams, president of the Y. W. C. A., called attention to the forthcoming visit here of Miss Una Saunders, the general secretary, and it was decided by the council that this lady should be asked to speak at a meeting, the time and place of which would be arranged later, on "Women and War."

The committee appointed some time ago to look into the possibilities of establishing a "white-wear" industry in the city, reported through Mrs. Thompson, who, with Mrs. Gee, admitted that the experiment might prove unsuccessful. The cheapness of imported goods, it was maintained, was the chief objection to such an industry; better work and better materials would attract a certain amount of custom. The meeting decided to devote part of the council funds to the experiment, and a room will be secured, materials purchased, and two machines installed after some further investigation into the matter.

SMASH THE MACHINE WILL BE BATTLE-CRY OF ELECTORS OF B. C.

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of the commission, and the only one required to give his whole time to the work, show conclusively that the actual working of the act will be controlled by the government of the day, and if the government of Sir Richard is returned to power the act will be used for party purposes, and its failure to bring about the desired reform in our agricultural conditions will be thus assured.

There are many other objectionable features in the act. The salaries of the commissioners should be fixed by statute, and not be left to the caprice of the lieutenant-governor-in-council, who may fix the salaries at an exorbitant figure and give the positions as rewards for political services, rather than because of fitness for the positions.

Another objectionable feature is that it authorizes the loan of money to those who intend to acquire land simply for speculative purposes. This element has already been too well protected by the government, which has made it possible for them to escape payment of either interest or taxes, or indeed payment for the land so acquired.

We maintain that no policy of state-aided agricultural production can be successfully carried out so long as the choice agricultural lands accessible for transportation facilities are in the hands of the speculative holders, and that it is the first duty of the government to resume, upon just and equitable conditions, possession of these agricultural lands, to the end that the benefits to be derived from state aid may go to the people themselves and not to speculative holders.

A comparison of the agricultural act with the recommendations of the royal commission on agriculture shows that very many of their recommendations have been entirely overlooked or rejected.

The fact that it was publicly announced but a short time ago that it was not the government's intention to pass this legislation this session, coupled with the further fact that it is now provided that it shall only be brought into force upon proclamation by the governor-in-council, and may, therefore, be deferred indefinitely, must cast grave doubts upon the sincerity of the government in this matter.

We insist that any commission charged with the operation of an act of this character should be removed entirely from the sphere of partisan control. Otherwise it is foredoomed to failure.

The government appeals to you upon its record, and you should make a thorough examination into that record.

It has assisted the speculator to acquire millions of acres of the best agricultural lands in the province by means of powers of attorney in defiance of the laws of the country and in a manner proclaimed fraudulent by the courts of the land. It has assisted and relieved these speculators from the necessity of payment of either principal, interest or taxes on these lands.

It has repurchased worthless lands, including mountain tops, from railway corporations, after all the sections of value had been sold or reserved by them, and thus placed a heavy burden on the provincial treasury.

It has alienated by license, which carries with it the right to purchase, practically every acre of known coal lands in the province and has ignored entirely its pledge to reserve a portion of every coal area to the people.

It has made no reasonable effort to establish industrial production in the province.

It has failed in its enforcement of the criminal laws of the province, permitting the escape of murderers, bank robbers, hold-up men and others of like class.

Its failure to enforce the regulations of the coal mines regulation act in the mines owned by the Canadian Collieries, and controlled by Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann, brought about the most serious industrial trouble occurring in the province for many years.

It has been a fixed principle of the government for years past to concentrate power in its own hands to strengthen its political influence. Every session a familiar clause placing the control of legislation in the hands of the lieutenant-governor-in-council becomes more noticeable.

It has succeeded in converting a surplus of some nine millions of dollars into a deficit of many millions, and increasing the bonded indebtedness of the province from nine millions to twenty-one millions. It has pledged the credit of the province to an amount in excess of eighty millions behind railway corporations, as well as incurred a liability of over three and one-half millions annually for interest on railway bonds. And all of this huge expenditure has been carried on without the scrutiny of an entirely independent auditor with power to check illegal payments or correct charges that may have been wrongfully made.

The wholesale alienation of the timber wealth of the province by the McBride government, without regard to the requirements of the industry or the protection of the forest wealth, has brought about a condition unprofitable to the timber-owner and operator as well as a loss to the general public.

We call public attention to the recent exposures of maladministration by this government as shown in their utter lack of supervision and control of such financial institutions as the Dominion Trust, with which the attorney-general had so intimate an association. The connection of ministers of the crown with the illegal acquirement of crown lands, the trading in government property by ministers themselves, the refusal of the attorney-general to allow the incarceration of criminals convicted by the court, all go to show general moral debility, which must impress upon you the fact that it is time for a change.

We appeal to all good citizens to assist us in smashing the "machine."

Signed, H. C. Brewster, Leader of the Provincial Liberal Party.

VERY GALLANT GENTLEMEN.

A staff officer, who has been in various parts of Belgium and northern France, writes home regarding the Belgian troops, whom, he states, he has observed very closely. "What struck me most," he points out, "was their remarkable cheerfulness. I watched a company or more of them go by on their way to the trenches. Some were singing, and, despite their heavy equipment, they seemed almost without exception to be in the best of spirits. Each one carried a pair of wooden sabots, and I was informed that these, when partly filled with straw, have been found most useful for the men to wear in the trenches. I remarked to a friend, a Belgian officer, who was standing near me, that these soldiers appeared to be very far from disheartened. His reply was curious, for he said—'They have now nothing more to be downcast about, because they have lost every tangible thing they possessed.' If that sentence had come from one of the dusky warriors we had previously met on the road, I should have put it down to Oriental fatalism, but my friend, who had suffered every bit as much as his countrymen, was quite as cheerful as the soldiers. This spirit of optimism is, I think, largely handed down from the officers to the lower ranks."

The little girl stood by the letter box, weeping bitterly. "What is the matter, my child?" asked the elderly philanthropist, who came along. "I—I wanted to post two letters," she sobbed, "and I hadn't any stamps. So—I dropped two pennies in the slot—at the end—and the stamps won't come out." Here the elderly philanthropist burst into tears. "Wh-what are you crying about?" the little girl asked. "I weep, my child," he said, wiping his eyes, "to think that a nice girl like you should try to get money from me with such an old chestnut as that."

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THE COW DEAL.

To the Editor,—In Vancouver they call it Bowserine; in Victoria they call it Beaverine, but it matters not whether you get the Terminal or Queen City brand, the fact remains that the hot air product of the McBride administrations is manufactured for the deception of the people who have been shown very plainly that the only policy that has been worked to a fare-ye-well by the gang of buccaneers over James Bay is "the thing is to get in, and when you are in, to stay in."

The explanation of the piratical cow deal pulled off by the honorable the minister of agriculture is proof of this and should be enough in itself to turn every clean thinking man, whether he be farmer or not, against the administration that holds fast to a man who would carry out such a transaction. A correspondent in Saturday's Times made some suggestions as to the importation of goats, but I think if the people stand for such acts as the cow deal, it can be truly said that this province already has a superabundance of such animals. It is up to the voters to show the McBride administration that the Ellison cow deal was really an awful bull, and that such transactions by any cabinet minister will not be tolerated. BILL.

March 6.

MINISTERIAL OBLIQUITY.

To the Editor:—Not all the incessant hammering which the member for Newcastle can administer will extract from the government any further information re the inspection of trust companies and any possible disclosures made by such inspection prior to August last. The only possible way for the people of this province to find out how their servants are doing their work is by a full inquiry in which the inspector of trust companies, Mr. Runnals, the company's auditor, and any other official who may be concerned, should be subjected to a searching cross-examination in the witness box.

Such an inquiry, it is evident, will never be instituted while the McBride-Bowser regime holds sway. In view of the rumors of elections it would be well for the public to remember this.

In the meantime the public eagerly waits for the explanation of that dual personality, Mr. Price Ellison, on his famous cow deal. This prolonged silence does not look well in a minister of the crown. Can it be that the hon. gentleman does not realize the gravity of the charge against him? Does he not realize that unless these charges and facts as ascertained and submitted by members of his own side of the house be explained his reputation will have to bear an exceedingly dirty stain? We have not heard any protest from the premier on his colleague's silence.

How different from Mr. Asquith's behavior when his colleagues, Rufus Isaacs and Lloyd George, were accused of speculating in an American concern that might be indirectly affected by a government contract? Full ventilation was at once accorded and a committee of inquiry instituted immediately. Mr. Asquith was among the first to desire that his political friends should clear their names before an impartial tribunal.

A little more openness and honesty would be sincerely welcomed by the people of this province from those who have the temporary privilege of government.

H. B. WINGATE WHITE.

Cobble Hill, March 4.

THE MINISTER'S COWS.

To the Editor:—The garbled account given us re the above seems to have made the matter just a little worse than it was before. Even if we admit some of these cows were culls, they were worth as beef two or three times the $25 paid for them. It would be interesting to follow the fortunes of these $25 cows a little further—whether, for instance, they were put in at the last government sale of Holsteins. Several people were stung on this occasion, people who were less able to afford the loss than the minister, and there was nothing doing under less than $125 a head. I suggest that private sales be discontinued in future and the settler be given a chance to buy in the next bunch of $25 a head cows.

So parliament is dissolved, Mr. Editor? Seems a pity, just when we were all waiting to hear all about what happened to the tubercular cattle. But most of us know all about it. The government vet. condemns your $125 cow and you get $50. This is the government grant, and altogether too small. Then the butcher pays $50 and takes it away in the small hours of the morning. But no one has ever discovered who gets the butcher's $50. The worst case I know of concerned a poor woman who was buying a $100 cow on the instalment plan. Her cow was condemned when she had paid about half the instalments, and all she got was $25 and some meat tickets on a certain butcher entitling her to a few slices daily whilst her poor consumptive companion lasted.

The working man has been doing some big thinks lately, and winks the other eye when elections are mentioned. How would it be to fix the first of April for "the day?"

WALTER FOSTER.

March 6.

"The practice of compulsorily enrolling men for defence against invasion can be traced before the time of Alfred the Great, when every man between 18 and 60 and to serve right up to the time of the Napoleonic wars."—Saturday Review. It was found, however, that men who had enlisted in Alfred the Great's time at the age of 60 were of little real use in the Napoleonic wars.—Punch.

Great thoughts know no remorse, and great art has never to repent.—Renan.

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SPORTING NEWS

LOCAL PLAYERS START FOR EAST

ALL-STARS MEET COAST CHAMPIONS

Bert Lindsay Will Be First of Victoria Squad to "Break Camp;" Changes Rumored

Bert Lindsay will probably be the first of the Victoria Hockey club squad to hit for the east. The clever goaltend will spend the summer at Renfrew, and he will not tarry very many more hours on the coast. Several of the players will be held for the All-Star-Vancouver series, while Bobby Rowe, Walter Smaill and Skinner Poulin, reside here. Lester Patrick is also a well-known ratepayer.

The local pilot will not whisper a word of impending changes in the team, but states that he will hike through the prairies next fall in search of a couple of youngsters whom he may be able to break into the Victoria line-up. Bernie Morris will likely be brought back next season, this young fellow having shown a big improvement in the last few games, when he was played regularly.

Vancouver, March 9.—Vancouver meets the Portland-Victoria all-star team in a big game at the Arena rink to-night. It will be the last match to be staged locally before the world's championship series, the first game of which will be played on the 22nd of the month. The Portland and Victoria players arrived in the city yesterday and had a workout at the Arena in the afternoon. Members of the Vancouver team also had a light practice in preparation for the match.

Six-man hockey will prevail in the match to-night which should prove an innovation to the fans. The second game in the world's championship series will be played under these rules, which prevail in the east, and it is in order to familiarize the Vancouver champions with this play that the game will be played under these rules. Tommy Phillips and Mickey Ion will be the officials for the match. It was announced last night that the teams would line up in the following manner:

Vancouver.		All-Stars.
Lehman	Goal	Lindsay
F. Patrick	Defence	Johnson
Griffis	Defence	L. Patrick
Mackay	Centre	Oatman
Nighbor	Right Wing	Tobin
Taylor	Left Wing	Kerr

Vancouver subs—Cook, Stanley, Mallen, Seaborn. All-Star subs—Poulin, Dunderdale.

WALKER CONFIDENT OF LOCAL VICTORY

Says Mud Hindered Victoria Soccer Eleven in Vancouver Clash; B. C. F. A. Meeting

Jack Walker, who chaperoned the Victoria representative soccer team at Vancouver on Saturday, states that the Capital City eleven will just about win the round, when Vancouver plays here the end of this month. Walker says that the heavy field at Vancouver handicapped the local team, while Vancouver also boasted of an exceptionally strong defence. Mr. Walker was tickled at the showing of Archie Muir, the Thistle centre forward, and says that Muir's foot-work was a treat. Victoria has not lost a game to Vancouver this season, and it would seem as if they are booked for another win when the Terminals appear here on Good Friday.

A meeting of the B. C. F. A. will be held to-morrow night at the Y. M. C. A. when the games for Saturday's draw in the Jackson Cup series will be settled upon. Officials for these matches will be chosen, while the grounds allotted to the different clubs.

Aston Villa have offered the use of Aston Lower Grounds, Birmingham, to the football association for the purpose of the final tie for the English Cup. Althoug h this ground is in an unfinished state, the shrinkage of Aston Villa's gate receipts having naturally affected the completion of their scheme, it is thought to be capable of holding 70,000 people. Everyone who enters the ground gets a perfect view of the game.

Had the club been able to carry their scheme through, with accommodation for 120,000 people, it would have been difficult to see how the final could have gone elsewhere, but even as the ground is, the officials think that it would be equal to any demands. But the clubs left in the final tie must largely determine the rendezvous.

AZEVEDO BEATEN.

Memphis, Tenn., March 9.—Johnny Griffiths, of Akron, Ohio, was given a decision over Joe Azevedo, of Oakland, Cala., at the end of an 8-round bout here last night. The men are lightweights.

TRAVIS WINNER OF PINEHURST TROPHY

Pinehurst, N. C., March 9.—Walter J. Travis, of Garden City, won the president's trophy in the golf tournament here, defeating Irving S. Robeson, of the Oak Hill Country club, Rochester, 6 up and 4 to play. Travis turned in a card of 76.

Travis won his match in the semi-finals from J. M. Thompson, of the Springhaven, Pa., club, 6 up and 5 to play. His card for this round was 72.

The sensational defeat of J. C. Parrish, jr., of the National (New York) club by Robeson in their semi-final match, was the feature. Robeson was one down at the turn, but squared the match on eleventh hole. He halved the next five, won the seventeenth with a three, and finished 1 up by halving the eighteenth.

PRACTICE GAMES

St. Louis, Mo., March 9.—The St. Louis Federals defeated an Havana team 7-4 at Havana, Cuba, according to a cablegram received here last night.

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St. Petersburg, Fla., March 9.—The Chicago Nationals defeated the Philadelphia Nationals 8-5 here.

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San Jose, Cal., March 9.—The second team of the Chicago Americans was defeated here by the Salt Lake team, of the Pacific Coast league, by a score of 5-3.

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San Diego, March 9.—The Chicago White Sox No. 2 was defeated here by Venice, of the Pacific Coast league, by a score of 4-2.

TORONTO BEATEN.

Regina, March 9.—Final score: Monarchs 5; Edmonton 2.

Melville, Sask., March 9.—Disputed goals were allowed on each side, making the final score: Melville 8; Toronto 4.

BOUT FOR HAVANA.

Havana, March 9.—A fight for the worlds' heavyweight pugilistic championship will take place at Havana on Saturday, April 3, between Jack Johnson and Jess Willard, it was announced yesterday by Jack Curley.

C. S. A. A. A. MEETING.

This evening at 8 o'clock a general meeting of the Civic Service Athletic Association will be held in the council chamber at the city hall, when matters of importance will be discussed. A full attendance of members is requested.

REMARKED ON THE SIDE

All-Star Games Will "Prep" Vancouver Seven.

Victoria will have at least three, and probably four players in the all-star selection that will meet Vancouver in the exhibition series starting to-night at the Terminal City. Bert Lindsay will be in the nets, Lester Patrick and Ernie Johnson will comprise the balance of the defence, while Tommy Dunderdale, Dubbie Kerr and perhaps Skinner Poulin, will work on the line at different times. With Eddie Oatman, Charlie Tobin and Ran. MacDonald as substitutes for the forward line, this club looks strong enough to give the Coast champions a real battle. Vancouver needs a couple of hard games before the world's series. The eastern champions will be battling hard right up to the time they leave for the west, and it is up to the P. C. H. A. title-holders to keep their men in shape.

University Fifteen in a Class by Themselves.

That the Mount Tolmie rugby representatives are of senior calibre was demonstrated to the satisfaction of a large gathering of rugby enthusiasts at Oak Bay on Saturday, when the University fifteen romped away from a picked intermediate team in an interesting game. The skill which the Students showed at handling the leather, their unmatched team play, condition and spirit, proved far too big a handicap for the all-stars. In their coming match with the King Edward High School, of Vancouver, for the provincial intermediate title, the local champions look forward to a win. Those who have followed the fortunes of this team this season feel confident that there is not an intermediate aggregation in the whole Dominion that can approach the superb aggregation now sporting the colors of the University School.

Offside Plays.

Many are called, but most of them turn over again and go back to sleep.

Just as the Germans were on the verge of cheering Von Hindenburg's great victory the price of beer was raised in Berlin and the hoarse huzza was curbed.

Ed. Walsh collapsed in 1913 and Reb Russell hit the skids last year. If these two renowned athletes can return with the old time stuff the White Sox with Eddie Collins around should prove to be nimble factors.

COAST CHAMPIONS

DUNCAN MACKAY

The clever centre of the champions is the youngest member of the club. He was born in May, 1896, in Chesley, Ont., and weighs 146 pounds. He has been on several winning teams during his hockey career. In 1911 he was with the Chesley, Ont., senior O. H. A. team and in 1912-13 was with the Edmonton team, winning the city championship. In 1913-14 he played with Grand Forks. His team won the McBride cup, Nelson "Daily News" cup and the Boundary cup. Mickey joined the Vancouver team this season and made good from the start. Mackay is the youngest player in professional hockey.

RAWLINGS BOOSTS VICTORIA CATCHER

Federal Leaguer Says Callam is a Coming Star; Amateur Medal Protest

Johnny Rawlings, the former Victoria infielder, who is now with the Newark Federals, is out with a strong boost for Buster Callam, the youthful backstop, who will try for a berth with the Victoria club this spring. Rawlings says that Callam is a sure peg, while he is also a vicious hitter. The Federal league infielder will train in Texas and Rawlings says that the Independents are every bit as good as the majors.

Another Victoria favorite, Bobby Steele, passed through Los Angeles last week en route to the St. Louis training camp at San Antonio, Texas. Steele took in the big fair at 'Frisco for a few days and Rawlings states that he looks in splendid shape.

Vancouver, March 9.—Another promising player has been added to the roster of the Vancouver baseball club. The youngster is Irving Utschig, an outfielder, who graduated from the Santa Clara college in California, and finished the 1914 season as a member of the San Francisco Coast league club. Bob Brown received his signed contract yesterday.

President Brown announced last night that every player signed had been instructed to report for practice here on Monday, March 29, instead of a week earlier. Thirty men are expected to report.

The first practice game of the season is fixed for Thursday, April 1, when the Beavers will line up against the University of Washington squad. The rah-rah boys will play three games here. The following week the Olympics, a fast semi-pro. team of Tacoma, will come over for a couple of games.

President Brown is still trying to arrange a four-game series with the colored Giants, of Chicago.

"Hoppy" Williams, manager of the Outlaw baseball team, strongly protests the ruling of President Bissell, of the Commercial league, in awarding the Spalding Bros.' medals through the local agents, Drake Hardware Co. Williams states when the league disbanded his team was leading and were confident of winning the championship.

President Bissell states that the medals were not awarded to the Bapcos, but to the Commercial All-Stars. The prizes are emblematic of the Vancouver Island championship.

LOCAL VICTORY.

Victoria High School triumphed over the Duncan visitors Saturday night at basketball. The High School girls netted 26 points to the visiting team's 2. High School boys 100-pound standard won a hard fought game from the visiting team representing the King Edward's boys' club, Duncan, by 26 to 20.

ALLAN CUP GAMES.

Winnipeg, March 9.—Melville will defend Allan Cup against Winnipeg Monarchs, winners from Edmonton Eskimos in elimination series 17 to 3, to-morrow and Friday nights on their home ice.

BAYLEY SAYS BURNS WAS STALLING

PROVINCIAL TOURNEY ON THIS WEEK

Al. Davies Meets Earl Baird at Seattle To-night; Leighton After Local Entries

Morris Condon's letter to the manager of Roughhouse Burns is followed by the withdrawal of a $300 side bet by that gentleman, and Victoria fistic lovers are waiting to see the next turn of affairs in the Bayley-Burns controversy. Bayley is ready and willing to meet the Vancouver youth just as soon as his hands recover, while Condon states that Burns can have a bout any time. Burns knows only too well that Bayley can whip him, and is not taking any chances by leaving a side bet lying around, where Bayley might cover it. The local boy says that Burns is only bluffing in his weak attempts to secure a return bout.

Al. Davies leaves for Seattle this afternoon, to meet Earl Baird at the S. A. C. smoker to-night. This will be the fourth meeting between the local boxer and the Seattle champion. Baird is eager to secure revenge for the beating that he received last week at the Vancouver Island show. The Seattle entries for the 'Frisco tourney will be selected at to-night's tourney in the Sound city, and if Davies can again whip Baird he looks like a northwest entry for this tourney.

Russ. Leighton, manager of the Vancouver Commercial club, who was here last week, expects the Victoria clubs to send over a bunch of their boys for the B. A. C. championships on Friday and Saturday nights. They will be held under the auspices of the C. A. C. and Leighton looks forward to having seventy-five boys enter. A special cup has been donated for the best boxer at the championships. Leighton wants the following local boxers entered for Vancouver:—

105 lbs.	Roy Baker
115 lbs.	Al. Davies
125 lbs.	Ernie Yates
135 lbs.	J. Larrigan
145 lbs.	Alex. McKay
158 lbs.	T. Wheeler
135 lbs.	Ted. O'Hara
125 lbs.	S. James

GOLF SUITED TO "BIG MAJORITY" OF BOYS AND EVANS POINTS REASONS

(By Chick Evans.)

I was greatly interested in an article on "Golf for Boys," written by Harold Hilton, which appeared in Golf Illustrated recently. I recall that it was not so many years ago that the first appearance of a small group of youthful golfers in America was supposed to be an actual menace to the game. One reason against the young boys apparently was a purely social one—a sort of regret that a particular small circle of friends could not monopolize a dignified game that was singularly unsuitable for very young men. Football, baseball and all the other violent games were recommended for the young boy.

Hilton says: "There is still a strong feeling in evidence among a certain section of the athletic world against the advisability of allowing the youth of the country to participate in the game in any marked degree; and while they do not go so far as to suggest that golf is in every way an unsuitable game for boyhood's days, still they maintain that it is not an advisable sphere of training for a boy when he is passing through the most perceptive and receptive period of his career."

Hilton further writes:

"To us it is always something of a surprise that any mere boys should prefer a sober, thoughtful game like golf to the more exciting forms of athletics in which it is possible to rise to a state of mind which is so dear to youth.

"To our way of thinking, it is a game which should appeal only to those who are of a sober, scientific mind, who are possessed with an inclination to work out problems in quietness and solitude, and are naturally averse to surroundings of a disquieting nature."

Personally, I am glad that golf dominated football and cricket at Holyoke, for the lack of that early training on the links would have been a distinct loss to British golf.

Probably most boys play the game that is nearest at hand, and perhaps in America the difficulty of "making teams" would lead many a slender boy to the links if they existed near his home.

Sport as carried on at American universities is only for the picked few, the great majority have no outdoor game. It would be interesting to know what particular influence led many of our young boys to golf, for it is a significant fact that with the notable exception of Mr. Travis, almost every one of our leading players began the game as a very small boy.

CLYMER TO HANDLE TORONTO BALL CLUB

Toronto, March 9.—Pres. McCaffery of the Toronto baseball club announced by telephone from Buffalo yesterday afternoon that Bill Clymer had this morning signed as manager of the Toronto international team for the coming year. He takes charge at once.

Clymer is well known in Toronto having played one year hehe at Diamond Park. He also played for Buffalo and was in this league as manager of the team that had its home in Ottawa in 1895.

Since that time Clymer has been player and manager on this circuit except for three years in which he managed Columbus in the American association winning three straight pennants.

Last year and the year before "Derby Day" Bill Clymer was Buffalo's manager.

Clymer has always been a comedian coacher but that did not prevent him from getting together and holding winning teams and securing the best possible out of his players.

SAILORS LIKELY TO PLAY CHARITY GAME

Geo. Nicholson states that while he is not yet certain that the H. M. S. Newcastle rugby team will be able to get leave for Saturday's proposed benefit game, he is confident that matters will be arranged so that this fixture can be played. A definite announcement on this match will be made to-morrow.

HARVARD'S ATHLETIC EXPENSES.

The Harvard University athletic board's financial report, issued to-day, shows Harvard made nearly $60,000 above expenses in football last season. The total receipts were $94,494. Baseball was the only other sport that paid for itself. It had an income of $22,197, with expenses of $14,239. Hockey lost $300, rowing $13,000, track athletics $8,000, and smaller sports showed proportionate losses.

ADAMS CASE MAY CHANGE RULE.

Some benefit may be derived by the amateur athletes of the country as a result of the charges of professionalism which were brought against Platt Adams, champion jumper, a few weeks ago. The charges were dropped after an investigation, but the rules committee of the A. A. U. now is figuring on a change to govern the disposal of prizes won.

CLUB DANCE.

Ozard's orchestra has been engaged for the Vancouver Island Athletic club dance, at the club rooms, Strathcona hotel, on Thursday evening. Members and their friends are invited to attend.

Professor Raoul Pictet has been continuing the researches which he described in 1911, and it is now possible to freeze live fish in cakes of ice and revive them to their original state after a few months' "cooling."

SPORTING GOSSIP

A meeting of the B. C. F. A. is booked to-morrow night.

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Coast All-Stars play Vancouver at the Terminal City to-night.

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Skinner Poulin will get into the game for a time.

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Jack Walker is boosting the showing of the Victoria soccer eleven.

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Johnson says he was not afraid of Willard, but of the Texas cow-punchers.

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He says that he cannot get used to ducking lead pills.

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Seattle claim that Courtenay, their third sacker, is only a youngster.

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Bob Brown has signed up another California collegian for his outfield.

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Okell's foul at Vancouver on Saturday was unintentional.

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Still it gave the Terminals their only goal.

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Lester Patrick is captain of the coast hockey all-stars.

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The former leader of the champions thinks he can whip the Terminal seven.

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Aberdeen is now claiming the Northwestern league pennant.

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They are not the only city indulging in flag dreams these days.

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Season tickets will be placed on sale in Victoria shortly.

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Jacksons now lead in the series for the Jackson cup.

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C. M. R. boast of a fine soccer team when they can hold the 5th Regiment to a draw.

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McGraw touts Holke very highly at Marlin, Texas.

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He will likely retain the former Spokane first sacker.

The total value of the city of London's square mile is placed at about £250,000,000.

TENDERS FOR WATER METERS.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m., Tuesday, April 6, 1915, for the following water meters:

25—1 in.
10—1½ in.
12—2 in.
3—3 in.
1—4 in.

Specifications may be seen at the office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on the outside of the envelope: "Tenders for Water Meters." Each tender must be accompanied by a marked cheque for 5 per cent. of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. GALT,
City Purchasing Agent.
Victoria, B. C., March 6th, 1915.

TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT.

Notice is hereby given that the Esquimalt Dog Tax is due on or before March 31st, 1915, owners who have neglected to pay the tax by that date are liable to legal proceedings without further notice.

R. H. NUNN,
Collector.

Help For the Unemployed

The Central Employment and Relief Committee earnestly appeals for help for over 1,400 unemployed in its register. The majority of these are married men with families.

What is asked:

1. Gifts of money to be used only in providing work of a remunerative character.
2. Work, odd jobs and permanent positions. All kinds of labor can be had at once. Employers, ranchers and contractors are invited to use the Bureau, which is free.
3. Citizens to join the employment club. Members undertake to supply so much work or its equivalent in cash weekly; an hour's work or 25 cents; four hours' work or $1.00, and so on.

Call up Dr. Millar, the Bureau Superintendent. Phone 1637.

Cheques to be sent to Alderman Porter at the City Hall.

LICENSING COMMISSIONERS

The next quarterly statutory meeting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners will be held in the Police Court, City Hall, on Wednesday, the 10th day of March, 1915, at 2.30 p. m.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.
City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C.
March 4th, 1915.

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mrs. Margaret Janet Galloway White, Late of South Saanich, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to the above estate are requested to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith to the undersigned, and all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to send particulars of their claims, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of March, 1915.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1915.

YATES & JAY,
Solicitors for the Executors,
416-7 Central Building, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Estate of the Late Frances Dudley Stetson.

All persons having claims against the Estate of the above deceased, who died at Esquimalt, B. C., on or about the 24th day of September, 1914, are hereby required to send particulars thereof, duly verified, to the undersigned, on or before the 28th day of March, 1915, after which date the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1915.

BEAUMONT BOGGS,
Executor.
620 Fort St., Victoria.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next sitting for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me in respect of the Ritz Hotel, situate at 710 Fort street, in the City of Victoria, to George Fortin and Henry Forin, both of the said City of Victoria.

Dated the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1914.

B. L. ROBERTSON.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the "Windingup Act" and in the Matter of Murray and Aves, Limited.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that this Honourable Court will be moved on Friday, the 5th day of March, A. D. 1915, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard on behalf of the Official Liquidator of the above-named Company for an order that the said Company be dissolved as from the said 5th day of March, A. D. 1915.

JACKSON & BAKER,
Solicitors for the Official Liquidator.
Dated the first day of March, A. D. 1915.

TENDERS FOR HYDRANTS.

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 noon, Saturday, March 13, 1915, for 50 Hydrants. Specifications may be seen at the Office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on the outside of the envelope, "Tenders for Hydrants." Each tender must be accompanied by a marked cheque for 5 per cent. of the amount of the tender, made payable to the City Treasurer.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. GALT,
City Purchasing Agent.
Victoria, B. C., Feb. 26, 1915.

TENDERS FOR ASPHALTIC CEMENT

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 noon, Saturday, March 13, 1915, for 300 Tons Asphaltic Cement. Specifications may be seen at the Office of the City Purchasing Agent, to whom all tenders must be addressed, and marked on the outside of the envelope, "Tenders for Asphaltic Cement." Each tender must be accompanied by a marked cheque of 5 per cent. of the amount of tender, and made payable to the City Treasurer.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. GALT,
City Purchasing Agent.
Victoria, B. C., Feb. 26, 1915.

Corporation of the District of Saanich

BYE-ELECTION

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the electors of the Municipality of the District of Saanich that I require the presence of the said electors at Royal Oak Hall, on Wednesday the 10th day of March, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon for the purpose of electing a person as member of the Board of School Trustees to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. A. E. Chandler, which resignation has been accepted and the seat declared vacant.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: The candidate shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on the thirteenth day of March, 1915, at the following places: For the First Ward, at Cedar Hill School House; for the Second Ward, at Tolmie School House, Boleskin Road; for the Third Ward, at the Hall, Gordon Head; for the Fourth Ward, at MacKenzie Avenue School, Carey Road; for the Fifth Ward, at Royal Oak Hall; for the Sixth Ward, at the Temperance Hall, Saanich; for the Seventh Ward and Craigflower District, at Tillicum School, Tillicum Road; and such polling places will be open from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m., at which time and place each elector who is duly qualified to vote for Reeve will be entitled to cast his vote for one candidate for member of the Board of School Trustees, of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualification for School Trustee shall be any person being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years actually residing within the District, and having been for the three months next preceding the day of his nomination the registered owner, in the Land Registry Office, of land or real property situate within the Municipality of the assessed value, on the last Municipal or Provincial assessment roll, of two hundred and fifty dollars or more over and above any registered judgment or charge; or being a homesteader, lessee from the Crown, or pre-emptor who has resided within the Municipality for the space of one year or more immediately preceding the day of nomination, and is assessed for five hundred dollars or more on the last Municipal or Provincial assessment roll over and above any registered judgment or charge; or being a homesteader, lessee from the Crown, or pre-emptor who has resided within the Municipality for a period of one year immediately preceding the nomination, and during the remainder of said year has been the owner of said land, of which he formerly was a homesteader, lessee from the Crown, or pre-emptor, and is assessed for five hundred dollars or more on the last Municipal or Provincial assessment roll over and above any registered judgment or charge, and being otherwise qualified by this Act to vote at an election of school trustees in the said school district, shall be eligible to be elected or to serve as a school trustee in such district Municipality school district.

Given under my hand at Royal Oak, British Columbia, the second day of March, 1915.

R. R. F. SEWELL,
Returning Officer.

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH.

WATERWORKS

Sealed tenders, marked "Tenders for Materials for Waterworks," will be received by registered post only by the undersigned at the Municipal Hall, Royal Oak, Saanich, B. C., up to noon, March 12, 1915, for the supply of materials, including cast iron pipes and special castings, valves and hydrants.

Specifications, Schedules of Quantities and particulars may be obtained from the Municipal Engineer's Office, upon making a deposit of twenty-five dollars ($25.00), which will be returned on receipt of bona fide tenders.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified cheque in the amount equal to five per cent. (5 p. c.) of the total amount of tender.

Cheques will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers so soon as a contract, if any is awarded, is executed.

The Corporation reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders in whole or in part, or to accept any bid or portion thereof, as may be deemed advantageous and to the satisfaction of the Corporation.

HECTOR S. COWPER,
Clerk Municipal Council.
Municipal Hall, Royal Oak, Saanich, B. C., January 21, 1915.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as Machinists and Bicycle Specialists, at number 2645 Douglas street and 574 Johnson street, in the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, was dissolved on the 31st day of January, 1915, by mutual consent.

The undersigned, Antoni Fredrik Marconini, has taken over and will carry on the business at the premises, number 2645 Douglas street aforesaid, and the undersigned, Alfred Gustave Marconini, has taken over and will carry on the business at the premises, number 574 Johnson street aforesaid.

All debts owing to said partnership, until further notice, are to be paid to the Merchants' Protective Association, 204 Hibben-Bone Building, Victoria, B. C.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 8th day of February, 1915.

ANTONI FREDRIK MARCONINI,
ALFRED GUSTAVE MARCONINI,
Carrying on business under the firm name of Marconini Brothers.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next sitting for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me in respect of the St. Francis Hotel, situate at the corner of Yates street and Oriental Alley, in the City of Victoria, to Guy M. Stanley, of the said City of Victoria.

Dated the 8th day of February, 1915.

P. STEELE.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next session for a transfer of the license to sell liquors in the James Bay Hotel, 270 Government street, Victoria, B. C., from me to Mrs. Thomasina K. Burgd

Dated this 25th day of February, 1915.

HERMAN ROTH

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their sitting to be held on Wednesday, the 10th day of March, 1915, for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me in respect of the Westholme Hotel, situate at No. 1017 Government street, in the City of Victoria, to Edward Bonner, of the said City of Victoria.

Dated this 28th day of November, 1914.

F. F. TROTTER.

Professing Loyalty, Conservative Government Increases Taxes on British Goods

BY H. F. GADSBY

Ottawa, March 5.—The budget debate pivots largely on the British preference, which Hon. W. S. Fielding invented in 1897. Like all good inventors, Mr. Fielding improved on his patent from time to time, so that the British preference, which began with a modest twelve and a half per cent. when the Liberals came in, stood at thirty-three and a third per cent. when they went out.

It did good work for the mother country from the start and, as luck would have it, the first enemy of England it gave a black eye to was Germany, who at once put up a holler that under her favored nation treaty with England she was entitled to any preferences Canada might be handing out.

Rudyard Kipling, who was then at the height of his vogue, wrote of Canada: "Daughter am I in my mother's house, but mistress in mine own," and England thought she couldn't do better than take a tip from the poet. At all events she took the ground that Canada had a perfect right to make her own tariff and Mr. Fielding supplied the axle grease for this enlightened policy by imposing the German surtax, which put the British preference in smooth running order. It has stood the racket for years and never developed a hot box.

The British preference has been a loyal performer all through—it stood by Great Britain, stood by Canada, and struck Germany in a vital spot, her foreign trade. It proved that it was possible to help Britain without injuring Canada's home rule and that the overseas dominions can do a great deal for the British empire by minding their own business.

Naturally, the Liberals think highly of a British preference which works like a busy little bee for England, home and duty, and are moved to complaint when anybody tries to shoo it off. Turriff, of Assiniboia, spoke of "laying unholy and disloyal hands" on the British preference, which was, of course, a figure of speech, because he has hastened to add that never in his life had he seen a disloyal Conservative or a disloyal Liberal. What he meant to convey was that there were various ways of showing loyalty. "As for example," this was an aside to H. B. Ames, who had nettled him, "by supplying good goods to the army."

Whereupon the member for St. Antoine drifted into silence and Turriff went on to explain that five points more duty against England really meant an increase of twenty per cent. on the preferential customs charges, and that consequently the mother country was that much worse off than she was before.

This looks like good arithmetic, but the government, with the aid of Providence and the higher mathematics, is not to prove a lullaby. The argument is that five points more tariff against English goods is not twenty per cent. more protection for Canadian manufacturers, but I have never been able to grasp this, even with the help of elaborate diagrams.

What the opposition goes on asking is, "Why do you soak the mother country five points, or about twenty per cent., more on her goods when you're borrowing all the money from her to finance our share in the way? Do you intend to pay the annual interest on our war debt to England out of the extra duty?"

These saucy questions, to which there is no answer short of a blue book as thick as the auditor-general's report, just naturally madden the party which has been accustomed to regard the old flag as something all its own. Somehow or other, it seems to have fluttered out of their grasp. They don't like to think that anybody can handle it but themselves. The government claims that it has nothing to defend in placing an extra twenty per cent. against British goods, but it takes a lot of explaining and most people have poor heads for figures. The opposition has them working nights. Many speeches will be found in Hansard giving the rights of it from a Conservative standpoint, but the Liberals profess to see more noise than guidance in them, like the nigger who was caught in the thunderstorm.

"It reminds me," said Duncan Ross, "of the man who undertook to deliver a million frogs' legs, but only sent in twelve. When they asked him why, he said he hadn't numbered them, he'd only counted them by the sound."

At all events the government side of the house is very sensitive to draughts. Whenever the British preference is mentioned, a chill spreads to the right of Mr. Speaker and William Cockshutt wipes the clammy drops from his brow. How much longer can he go on loving England and keep the duty on plows where it is? Some day or other this British preference may be big enough to hurt. Meanwhile there is hope, prayer and a patriotic government.

Even the little things connected with the British Preference cause tremblings. For instance, Turriff mentioned English dictionaries, fertilizers, and hot air furnaces as coming under the five per cent. increase. These are all ingredients in R. B. Bennett's oratory, and to hear them championed by a member of the opposition was ashes in his mouth. Bennett is the Demosthenes of the west—he acknowledges no superior, not even Red Michael—and he wants no interference with his raw materials. As long as R. B. Bennett uses words by the scuttleful, English dictionaries and hot air furnaces must be let alone.

J. H. Burnham, who is the John Hampden of West Peterboro, contributed some three hours of remarks, in which he did not once allude to the British Preference. It is perhaps just as well that he didn't for "Ham" Burnham is by way of being an author—he has written two novels, "Jack Ralston", and "Marcelle"—and has unbridled views on almost any subject. "Ham" is really a Radical, who was born Conservative and got labelled wrong. He hates knighthoods, honorary colonels, dress suits, state balls, gilded splendor, bloated plutocrats, pate-de-fois-gras, hereditary tyrants, tight shoes, stinking pride and a lot of other things like that. With great restraint he touched on none of these things in the one hundred and eighty minutes consumed by him, but he made a good speech just the same. It was full of history and occasionally he appealed to the universal mind of Dr. Sproule to bear him out. "In the thirteenth century, as you will remember, Mr. Speaker." And of course Mr. Speaker remembered, not because he is that old, but because once you mount the rubber-neck wagon of history with "Ham" Burnham, you se with his eyes or you don't see at all.

"What did Alexander the Great say on discovering the wrong use of a first aorist in Homer's Iliad?" "What did Jack Cade exclaim when they were putting the rope round his neck?" "What words did Lord Salisbury make use of when his pen broke as he was signing the Treaty of Berlin?" Ham Burnham's speeches bristle with pertinent questions to which only Ham can reply because he knows the answers beforehand. The only possible retort would be for a member of the opposition to get up and ask "What did Frank Cochrane say in 1868?" which can't be done because Frank Cochrane has never said anything in public life and consequently has left no come-backs. The minister of railways is the one statesman you can't pull a deadly parallel on and I believe Ham Burnham trades on the fact. At any rate, he wanders all over the lot and nobody checks him up. And even at that he sticks as close to his text as any budget speaker who wants to steer clear of British Preference and high tariff and certain other matters which have no more to do with the war than a mining prospectus has with the kingdom of heaven.

What I mean to say is that Ham Burnham did not tackle the tariff because he has only vague opinions on the differential calculus and 'nth power, but he did make out a general case for the government within the four corners of universal history, which is good tactics and will probably be followed by other speakers on the Conservative side. When you don't want them to follow you take them into the bush. Ham Burnham is much wiser than Wright, of Muskoka—Muskoka being the place where the Muskoka nuts come from—who gets off all the old wheezes about protection and free trade and sets the house yawning. This keeping track of figures gives a man a Jew headache and Ham Burnham shrewdly avoids it. The difference between Ham Burnham and Wright, of Muskoka, is that Wright tells all he knows on the subject and says nothing, while Ham Burnham says all he knows on every other subject and tells nothing. Of course Ham wins. If anybody can set the opposition fanning the air, it's Ham Burnham.

Naturally, Ham Burnham talked about the war. He used what Tom Owens calls the "too cocky" argument, alluding with all the delicacy of a steam shovel to what the wicked Grits did to three dreadnoughts in 1913. Ham is a good Canadian for these militarist days. He put forward the idea that Canada minus the Naval Service act was just the place for him. He doesn't want to be any nearer to or any farther away from the mother country than he is now. He thinks the Atlantic Ocean is just the right distance to enjoy all the benefits and escape most of the disadvantages. So far as Ham's statement goes, there are no farmers lying awake in his constituency moaning for closer relations with anything but a greater number of dollar bills. Ham wants to be near enough to help but not near enough to be worried by the night bell. If you would remould the British empire to his heart's desire you would leave it as it is, because it fits right now. All of which goes to show that Ham Burnham is a loyal British subject, a good Canadian, a thorough democrat, and a candid friend of the Conservative party.

Meanwhile Ham joins hands with all the rest of us in fighting for British institutions, for freedom, for responsible government, for the greatest empire and the greatest organized force for good the world has ever seen. We have some fifty thousand soldiers and one hundred and fifty million dollars staked now, and we can get more where that came from.

Which brings us to the second branch of the argument—that this is a war tariff and not a protective one. As it is a large topic, it had better stand over till the budget debate is farther along.

Elihu Root, the American senator, tells a story about himself and his efforts to correct the manners of his office boy. One morning the young autocrat came into the office, and, tossing his cap at a hook, exclaimed:—"Say, Mr. Root, there's a ball game down at the park to-day, and I want to go down." Now the great lawyer was willing that the boy should go, but thought he would teach him a little lesson in good manners. "James," he said, "that isn't the way to ask a favor. Now you sit down in my chair and I'll show you how to do it properly." The boy took the office chair, and his employer picked up his cap and stepped outside. He then opened the door softly, and, holding the cap in his hand, said quietly to the small boy in the big chair:—"Please, sir, there is a ball game at the park to-day; if you can spare me I would like to get away for the afternoon." In a flash the boy responded:—"Why, certainly, Jimmie; and here is fifty cents to pay your way in."

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SLIGHTLY USED Ruud gas hot water heaters, sixty per cent. below cost. Scott & Sinclair, plumbers, 1024 Caledonia avenue. m10

FOR SALE—Show-case, 10 feet, attached to counter, $13. J. B. Jaffe, 1421 Store street. m13

FOR STEPLADDERS—Your inspection and criticism invited. F. Clark, 826 View St. a8

FOR SALE—Entire set of sails, yawl rig, 675 square feet; in use but one season. Phone 333R. m9

M'CASKEY ACCOUNT REGISTER, complete, for 200 accounts, will accept $60 for quick sale. Box 1809, Times. m12

LADY has new tire, 30x3½, Dunlop, $14.50; sold car. Box 1774, Times. m11

FOR SALE—Cedar fire wood, cut to stove lengths, $2.50 per cord. Phone 2545. a4

FOR SALE—Black soil and manure. Phone 168. a2

TWO SPECIAL RECIPES for curing bacons and making brine, $1.00. Box 1532, Times. m21

NEW FURNITURE at less than auction prices can be bought at the Standard Furniture Co.; just out of the high rental district. 731 Pandora Ave., above Douglas. f11 tf

FOR SALE—Fixtures for cigar or candy store, in golden oak; silent salesman, cash register, scales, etc. Fumed oak dining sets, cook stoves, etc. W. Daverne & Co., 901 and 903 Yates St. m12

HARD TIMES PRICES on good stepladders at F. Clark, 826 View St. a5

FOR SALE—Malleable and steel ranges, $1 down, $1 per week. 2001 Government street.

BLACK SOIL and manure. Phone 1584. a24

FOR SALE—Magic lantern, 130 slides, maker G. Phillip, 32 Fleet street, London, $35, cost $140; large camera, Diamond Post Card Gem, $17.50; violin and bow, $8.50; autoharp with keyboard, $4.50; rifle, Winchester, 32, special, $12.50; mandolin, 22 ribs, $7.50; pipe stock and dies, ½ to 2 in., $6; pipe cutter, $2.50; English solid leather valise, $4.50; genuine Lemaire field glass, $12.50; Gillette safety razors, $2.75; gun metal cigarette cases, 75c.; playing cards, 10c., or 3 for 25c. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 572 Johnson street, Victoria, B. C. Phone 1747.

WANTED—HOUSES.

WANTED TO LEASE, with option of purchase, 7 or more rooms, large lot. Only replies containing full financial and location particulars considered. L. Haig, P. O. Box 295. m9

BUSINESS CHANCES.

WANTED—Partner, with some capital, good business; no agents. Box 18 Times.

THRIVING suburban grocery, in splendid location; must sell immediately; excellent reasons for wishing to quit. Box 1800, Times. m

FOR SALE—AUTOMOBILES.

AUTOMOBILE—If you are looking for car for the jitney run, don't miss this ad. I have a 1912 Studebaker, 20 h. p. car, in splendid order, with new tires, side curtains, etc.; price only $335. Apply 707 Fort street.

FOR SALE—1912 Russell touring car, good condition, $600; 1913 Hupp touring, perfect condition, $600. Auto Exchange, 7 View street.

FOR SALE—Automobile, 4 cyl., 5 passenger; just overhauled and repainted. Box 1797, Times. m

HELP WANTED—MALE.

WANTED—Good amateurs for the Royal Victoria theatre next week. Leave your name at box office or come to rehearsal Monday, 4.30 to 6.15. Adult only, age limit 16. First prize, $50; 2nd $15; 3rd, $10.

$15 WEEKLY paid men everywhere to distribute circulars. The Co-operative Union, Windsor, Ont. m

BOYS AND GIRLS—If you want to know the easiest way to get lots of spending money, call at 1022 North Park St. m

WE HAVE SOLVED the great problem of unemployment. Send your application for work to be done in any line direct Phone 1637. Central Employment & Relief Bureau, 612 Pandora. f27 t

EMPLOYERS OF HELP who may now or in the immediate future require skilled or unskilled labor, either male or female, should send in their names at once to the Central Employment and Relief Bureau.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN to sell the most marvellous invention of the age make two dollars up. Room 224, Sayward, 9 to 10 and 5 to 6. Thompson. m

A RELIABLE MAID, 18, for house work and to help with children, $12; no cooking, no washing. Apply evenings, 107 Davie. m

APPRENTICE for millinery workroom. Apply at once, Millinery Dept., D. Spencer, Ltd. m

WANTED—A young girl to care for an infant from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m.; wages $10 a month. Apply Box 1855, Times. m

IF YOU HAVE WORK for a few hours, days or weeks, won't you send in your name to the Central Employment and Relief Bureau and let us send you the man or woman to do that work?

SITUATIONS WANTED — (Female.)

A RESPECTABLE WOMAN would like to take charge of a small furnished house for free rent. Apply Box 1873, Times. m

MISCELLANEOUS.

COMPANIONS OF FOREST will hold a social dance in A. O. F. Hall on Thursday, March 11, at 9 p. m. Gents 50c, ladies free. m

TO OAK BAY RESIDENTS—All Oak Bay jitneys run from Oak Bay Hotel to Broad street, continuous service, fare 5c.; fare to golf links, 25c. for one, 15c. each for two, or 10c. each for more than two passengers. m

MARK IT—My new phone number is 3248Y1. J. O. Stinson. m

SHIRT MAKERS—Shirts made to order, Oxfords, zephyrs, cambric, etc.; your own material made up. 1856 Chestnut Ave. Phone 3632L. a

C. P. COX, piano tuner, graduate, School for the Blind, Halifax. 159 South Turner street. Phone 1212L. a

TO THE PUBLIC AT LARGE—I beg to announce that my company, the Sun Life Assurance Co., of Canada, are writing war risks at ordinary rates with additional war risks of $50 per each thousand, until further notice. A. J. Brubaker, 409 Sayward. Phone 1308 j14 tf

LEAKY ROOFS repaired and guaranteed. Tel. L4611.

POULTRY.

CUSTOM HATCHING—Send your eggs to be hatched in my machines. Rates reasonable. Better book your space early. T. W. Palmer, Lake Hill P. O. North Quadra street, Victoria.

SITUATIONS WANTED—(Male.)

YOUNG MAN, wife sick, must have work, any kind, will take $1. Box 1612 Times. m

WE HAVE A WAITING LIST of skilled and unskilled laborers, clerks, bookkeepers, etc., both men and women, ready and anxious for employment. What do you need done? Central Employment and Relief Bureau.

WANTED—ACREAGE.

WANTED—10 acres, good land, near Nanaimo, cheap for cash. Box 1855, Times. m

WANTED—5 acres, West Saanich road, no agents; no fancy price. Apply West Saanich Grocery, Sluggett's. m

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

VIOLIN, must be in good condition; reasonable. Phone 3588Y2. m

WANTED—English basinette carriage, condition no object. Box 1811, Times. m

ANTIQUE JEWELERY, old gold and silver, or damaged jewelery. 572 Johnson St. Phone 1747. Will call at any address.

WANTED—POULTRY.

WANTED—Broody hens. 140 Beach Drive, Shoal Bay. m

WANTED TO RENT—HOUSES

WANTED—By a business man, a 6 or 7 room house, nicely furnished, close in preferred. Box 1787, Times. m

WANTED—Houses to rent; strict attention given. The Griffith Company, Hibben-Bone Building.

FOR SALE—LOTS.

FOR SALE—Lot in 1½ circle (city), paved street almost up to lot, $375; cash $50, balance monthly. R. Jackson, 412 Sayward Building. m

FOR SALE on easy terms, corner Blackwood and Arthur, 55x120, $1,200. Apply 2520 Rock Bay Ave. m

FOR SALE—Choice waterfront, with house, on Cadboro Bay; a great bargain. Shaw & Company, 303 Stobart-Pease Blk. m

FOR SALE—HOUSES.

FOR SALE—Four roomed house, new, all fenced, close to car; $1,600, easy terms. Box 1871, Times. m

BUILD YOUR OWN HOUSE—If you are paying for or own a lot, unusual opportunity to build cheaply, better than "snaps." You get expert advice, plans, house built and money, with installment. See testimonials and houses. "The Artistic Home Concern." Address first Box 1598, Times. m

FIVE-ROOM MODERN HOUSE for sale; snap price. Apply 2330 Lee Ave. a

FOR SALE—House, 3 rooms, cement foundation, together with 1.78-100 acres of land, all cleared and fenced, chicken house; good water; close to electric station; price, $1,800, reasonable terms. L. U. Conyers & Coy., 650 View St. m

FOR SALE—ACREAGE.

28 ACRES, Parson's Bridge, all cleared, water and railway frontage, at $400 acre; adjoining piece $1,500 acre. Alfred Taylor, Phone 3253. m

Don't Read This

If you are not looking for a snap.

Six-room modern and fully furnished house on Irving Road, Fowl Bay, together with three-room shack (also furnished and renting for $10.00 per month). Splendid lot, 50x240. No rock. Both house and shack have all modern conveniences.

Price $3,350

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SUMMER CAMP WITH WATER-FRONTAGE

Cordova Bay Waterfront—House and Lot in the best part. Lot is 40 x 200, water laid on; 5-roomed cottage. $500 Cash, balance on terms to suit purchaser.

S. A. BAIRD

1210 Douglas Street.

FOR SALE

McKENZIE ST.—8 roomed, modern dwelling, new, hardwood floors, beamed ceilings, built-in effects, 2 lavatory basins, 2 toilets, wash trays, concrete basement, furnace, elaborate electrical fixtures, lot 50 ft. x 125 ft., concrete walks, good garage with concrete floor; best buy in Fairfield; price $6,000, terms.

TO RENT

MASON ST., 5 rooms $14
QUEEN'S AVE., 7 rooms, furnished.. $30
246 ACTON ST., 7 rooms, new $20
224 JOHNSON, 6 rooms $14
HAUCER ST., 5 rooms $15

SOUND RELIEF SHIP IS NOW CROSSING ATLANTIC

Seattle, March 9.—Beginning her voyage across the Atlantic, the Belgian relief ship Washington, Capt. A. E. Trick, laden with foodstuffs and supplies taken aboard at Seattle and Tacoma, steamed from Norfolk, Va., for Rotterdam on Sunday.

The Washington left Seattle at 7.30 p. m. January 27 and passed out at Cape Flattery at 4.30 p. m. January 28. She went via the Panama canal and called at Norfolk for bunker supplies, putting in at that port on Saturday.

Aboard the Washington is a cargo valued at $519,286, which will be discharged at Rotterdam and distributed among the destitute inhabitants of Belgium.

The best perfection of a religious man is to do common things in perfect manner. A constant fidelity in small things is a great and heroic virtue.—St. Bonaventura.

Along the Waterfront

Shipping News from Day to Day

TEMPESTUOUS VOYAGE REPORTED BY PANAMA

Osaka Liner Arrives From Orient; Speed Was Cut Down to Five Knots at Times

Tempestuous weather was encountered during the trans-Pacific voyage of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Panama Maru, Capt. Kanao, which arrived in port early this morning from Hongkong and Yokohama. For nine days after leaving the latter port the steamship was battered by very heavy northeast gales and tremendous seas. At times the Panama averaged but five knots an hour and her voyage to this port was prolonged one day as a consequence. The seas which hammered the ship threatened to inflict serious damage, but she rode well and the tons of water swept her decks cleanly and inflicted no injuries.

After passing the 180th Meridian the Panama met with favorable winds and seas until three days out from Victoria. She then encountered strong southerly winds and a nasty beam sea, with occasional spells of fog and rain. The Panama was further delayed. The weather was clear when the ship made the land yesterday afternoon and she arrived off William Head in the early hours of the morning and was passed at daylight by the quarantine doctor.

Heavy Cargo on Maru.

The Panama brings from the Orient about 5,000 tons of merchandise. It is the most valuable cargo to reach this coast on an Osaka liner in many years. She has a total of 2,100 bales of silk, which is valued at $1,260,000. The Panama carries 1,151 tons of freight for Seattle, which port has been given preference over Tacoma as the Pacific coast terminal of the Osaka fleet. For Tacoma the steamship has 1,510 tons of general freight, and for Vancouver she has large shipments. At this port the Panama discharged about 100 tons before proceeding to her Sound ports.

Eighteen passengers disembarked at this port from the Panama and most of them will go on to Vancouver.

TIDE TABLES.

March.

Date.	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	3:29	7.5	8:36	6.3	13:54	8.4	21:06	2.6
2	3:43	7.7	9:26	5.4	14:54	8.5	21:43	3.2
3	4:02	7.8	10:17	4.6	15:57	7.7	22:20	4.1
4	4:23	8.1	11:10	3.8	17:16	7.2	22:58	5.0
5	4:46	8.4	12:06	3.1	18:49	6.9	23:36	6.0
6	5:11	8.6	13:05	2.6	.....	..	.....	..
7	5:40	8.9	14:06	2.1	.....	..	.....	..
8	6:04	9.0	.....	..	.....	..	15:08	1.8
9	6:24	9.0	.....	..	.....	..	16:10	1.7
10	6:42	8.8	.....	..	.....	..	17:10	1.8
11	.....	..	.....	..	9:18	8.4	18:06	2.1
12	3:46	8.1	7:00	7.7	10:56	8.0	18:56	2.4
13	3:40	7.8	7:40	6.9	12:26	7.8	19:42	2.8
14	3:08	7.5	8:16	6.0	13:30	7.6	20:23	3.5
15	2:45	7.6	8:51	5.2	14:26	7.5	20:59	4.0
16	2:51	7.7	9:28	4.5	15:24	7.3	21:31	4.7
17	3:10	7.9	10:08	3.9	16:28	7.0	22:00	5.4
18	3:36	8.0	10:52	3.5	17:44	6.8	22:28	6.0
19	3:57	8.1	11:40	3.3	.....	..	.....	..
20	4:05	8.1	12:30	3.1	.....	..	.....	..
21	3:37	8.2	13:22	3.0	.....	..	.....	..
22	3:46	8.3	14:16	2.9	.....	..	.....	..
23	4:14	8.4	15:12	2.9	.....	..	.....	..
24	4:49	8.4	16:06	2.8	.....	..	.....	..
25	5:24	8.2	.....	..	.....	..	16:57	2.8
26	3:36	7.8	.....	..	.....	..	17:44	2.8
27	3:23	7.4	6:10	7.1	10:56	7.4	18:30	2.8
28	1:45	7.3	6:56	6.2	12:12	7.5	19:14	3.0
29	1:49	7.4	7:40	5.2	13:18	7.6	19:56	3.4
30	2:05	7.6	8:24	4.1	14:22	7.6	20:36	4.0
31	2:26	7.9	9:09	3.1	15:27	7.5	21:14	4.7

The time used is Pacific standard, for the 120th meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the tables, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

FINE LINER FINISHES HER DAYS AS NAVAL COLLIER

S. S. AQUITANIA

Liverpool, March 9.—Fully repaired and with steam up, the Cunard line steamship Aquitania is lying at the Gladstone piers here ready for the sea. Her future is kept a close secret, but the fact that many of her fittings have been restored leads to the general belief that she is about to be restored to the merchant service by the admiralty, which has found the giant vessel somewhat of a white elephant on its hands.

At the outbreak of the war the admiralty took over the Aquitania with the idea of using her for a transport, and when the impossibility of taking her into any of the continental ports where troops were being landed was realized, it was determined to transform her into a collier.

This indignity to the big steamship has never been forgiven by the people of Liverpool, who recall with much heat how the superb fittings were ripped out of the vessel. The work was done with axes and the pier was littered with the scraps of the beautiful panels and costly copies of famous paintings.

Hardly had the Aquitania begun her prosaic task of supplying the British navy with coal when she ran down a much smaller ship, which, by what seemed a miracle, remained afloat; but which afforded enough resistance to smash and curl back the bow of the Aquitania for a distance of fifty feet. The Aquitania towered so high above the other ship that the upper part of the bow was untouched and hung above the wrecked portion like a balcony.

Repairs have been under way ever since and the ship is now ready for service. The vessel is closely guarded but a correspondent was permitted to pass the sentries this week, and, although not allowed to go on board, from an exterior view he satisfied himself that the vessel was not again to be used as a collier. She is still wearing her war paint, and besides the guard of soldiers on the pier, she is protected on the water side by a converted destroyer.

MONTEAGLE LEAVES YOKOHAMA ON TIME

First C. P. R. Liner to Dock Since September Will Be Here on March 20

Advices received by the local C. P. R. agents from Yokohama state that the R. M. S. Monteagle, Capt. F. L. Davison, sailed from that port on Saturday last, her scheduled date. The four-master always clears from the Japanese port for the run across the Pacific within a few hours of the departure of some inbound Blue Funnel liner, and on this trip she will be accompanied by the Titan, which is reported to have left Yokohama the same day as the rival ship. The Monteagle and the majority of the Blue Funnel ships are evenly matched in speed, and there is always a test in speed between the vessels. The Protesilaus is the only Holt vessel with a decision over the C. P. R. steamship.

The Monteagle is reported to be bringing in fifteen saloon passengers and several hundred Chinese in steerage. She is due to arrive here on March 20, and it is not likely that she will be in the previous day, as she has done many times in the past, owing to the terrific weather which is sweeping the Pacific.

First Run Since September.

Until the British Admiralty releases some of the Empresses, the Monteagle will maintain the trans-Pacific service of the C. P. R. She will take about three months to complete the round trip. This company has not had its house-flag cross the pond since last September, when the Monteagle, the last of its fleet, was requisitioned by the Admiralty. Now that Germany's commerce has been bottled up, her high seas squadron has been practically annihilated, and a great bulk of the transport work has been accomplished, it is expected that the C. P. R. will have one or two of its Empresses restored. One of the old white liners will never again see service on the Pacific. The Empress of India, now the Indian hospital ship Loyalty, is to be used as a yacht by an Indian prince after the war.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Bellingham, March 8.—Sailed: Str. Cricket, for New York, via San Francisco.

Everett, March 8.—Arrived: Str. Frank H. Buck, from Monterey.

Tacoma, March 8.—Arrived: Str. Admiral Dewey and motor ship Pangan, from Seattle; str. Amur, towing barge St. David, from Britannia Beach, B. C.

Comox, March 8.—Arrived: Str. Oanfa, from Vancouver, B. C.

Bellingham, March 8.—Arrived: Str. Mayfair from San Francisco.

Aberdeen, March 8.—Arrived: Strs. Daisy and Norwood, from San Francisco.

San Pedro, March 8.—Inaugurating the new eastbound service of the Blue Funnel line between Pacific coast ports and Europe via the Panama canal, the Br. str. Moyune arrived from Puget Sound and completed her cargo with 1,000 bales of cotton. Silt, supposed to have come from a newly constructed storm sewer with an outlet near the foot of Fifth street, delayed two steamers to-day. The str. Congress was nearly two hours getting off the mud in her berth before sailing for Puget Sound. The str. Bear was in the stream waiting for a berth. The Congress was scheduled to leave just at low tide and the silt deposit from the recent storms had not been discovered before. The str. Hornet arrived from Puget Sound and the str. Tamalpais from Gray's Harbor.

San Francisco, March 8.—Arrived: Str. Santa Barbara, from the Columbia river; strs. Adeline Smith and Yellowstone from Coos Bay; str. Claremont, from Gray's Harbor; str. Dakotan from New York. Sailed: Strs. Yosemite and Multnomah, for Portland.

Portland, Ore., March 8.—Arrived: Str. Rose City, from San Francisco. Sailed: Str. W. F. Herrin, for Monterey.

Seattle, March 8.—Arrived: Strs. Humboldt, Southeastern Alaska; Mexican, New York; Governor, San Diego, via Victoria, B. C.; Admiral Dewey, San Francisco; Mariposa, Southwestern, via Southeastern Alaska; J. A. Moffett, San Francisco; Morning Star, British Columbia ports; Kish, Philadelphia, via Chemuipo; Nome City, San Francisco, via Eureka; Rainer, San Francisco, via Port Ludlow; Paraiso, Port Blakeley. Sailed: Strs. Olson & Mahoney, New York, via San Francisco; J. A. Chanslor, Port San Luis; Javary, Vladivostok; Paraiso, Port Blakeley; Admiral Dewey, Tacoma; motor sh. Pangan, Tacoma; U. S. S. McArthur, Fort Ward; U. S. S. Gedney, Liberty Bay; U. S. R. C. Unalga, Sound cruise.

New York, March 6.—Arrived: Str. Panaman, from Seattle via Philadelphia.

Sydney, March 6.—Arrived: Str. Strathardle, from Vancouver, B. C., via Eureka.

Norfolk, March 6.—Arrived: Str. Washington, from Seattle for Rotterdam.

Norfolk, March 8.—Arrived: Str. Strathgarry, from San Francisco for Queenstown; str. Cranley, from San Francisco for Rotterdam.

HALIBUT PRICES DROP

Seattle, March 9.—Bringing a shipment of 400,000 pounds of fresh halibut, the largest to reach this port in many weeks, the steamer Humboldt, of the Humboldt Steamship company arrived last night. The halibut was taken aboard at Juneau and Petersburg.

Two halibut schooners, the Tom and Al and the Athena, arrived in port during the day from the fishing banks with a total of 135,000 pounds, and the Humboldt's shipment swelled the receipts for Monday to 535,000 pounds. Halibut was quoted at 4 cents a pound yesterday, making the value of the shipments $21,400.

Two country women, mother and daughter, were visiting a menagerie for the first time. At last they came to the hippopotamus, and stood for several minutes transfixed in silent wonder. Then the mother turned to her daughter and said, slowly and solemnly—"Goodness me. Ain't he plain?"

GOING MAD FROM THE TERRIFIC PAIN

Prominent Merchant Thinks His Life Was Saved by "Fruit-a-tives."

Drysdale, Ont., June 15, 1913.

"I am a general storekeeper at the above address, and on account of the great good I have experienced from using 'Fruit-a-tives,' I recommend them to my customers. They were a great boon to me, I can tell you, for about two years ago, I was laid up in bed with vomiting and a terrific pain at the base of my skull. The pain nearly drove me mad. Doctors feared it would turn to Inflammation of the Brain, but I took 'Fruit-a-tives' steadily until I was cured. I have gained fifteen pounds since taking 'Fruit-a-tives,' and I verily believe they saved me from a disastrous illness.

"J. A. CORRIVEAU."

50c a box, 6 for $2.50, trial size, 25c.—or sent postpaid on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives, Limited, Ottawa.

CHINAMAN DIES ON EVE OF DEPORTATION

Celestial Was to Have Gone Out on Tacoma Maru; Sado Reports by Wireless

Just on the eve of his deportation to Hongkong on the Osaka liner Tacoma Maru, a Chinaman named Lew Mew Kun, aged 23 years, died this morning and the body will be interred here. Passage had been booked on the steamship for the deceased. He arrived in Victoria from China on October 17, 1912, and the immigration department discovered recently that he was affected with tuberculosis and ordered his deportation.

The Tacoma Maru arrived in port at 4 o'clock this afternoon from Tacoma and Seattle, and she is scheduled to sail for the Orient at 5.30 o'clock. The saloon passengers and fifty-two Chinese, Japanese and Russians, traveling steerage, will embark at this port. Eiziro Jooto, a Japanese officer from the wrecked cruiser Asama, is returning to Japan on the liner and E. J. Howard is going to Hongkong.

Seven thousand tons of cotton, flour, wheat, lumber, fish, machinery and general merchandise forms the cargo which will be taken out to the Orient by the Tacoma Maru.

Sado Due on Friday.

Radiograms received to-day state that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Sado Maru, Capt. Asakawa, will arrive from the Orient on Friday morning. She is taking two days longer than usual to complete the passage, due no doubt to the bad weather which is prevalent on the Pacific. The Sado is bringing in a full cargo of freight, and will discharge 700 tons at this port. Her passenger list is heavy and a few saloon and steerage travelers will leave the ship here.

Word is expected any day of the arrival at San Francisco of the Blue Funnel liner Astyanax, which is the second ship in the new Panama service. She is coming from Liverpool with a light cargo, and is due at Victoria on March 15.

No news has been received as yet of the time of arrival from Australia of the big red-stack liner Makura, Capt. Phillips. She is due to berth on Thursday.

WIRELESS REPORTS

March 9, 8 a. m.

Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; bar. 29.90; temp. 40.

Cape Lazo—Cloudy; S.; bar. 29.89; temp. 34; sea smooth.

Pachena—Cloudy; calm; bar. 29.50; temp. 45; sea moderate.

Estevan—Clear; calm; bar. 29.69; temp. 42; sea smooth.

Triangle—Overcast; calm; bar. 29.77; temp. 45; sea moderate.

Ikeda—Cloudy; S. E., strong; bar. 29.46; temp. 38; sea moderate.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; S. E., strong; bar. 29.63; temp. 40; sea rough.

Prince Rupert—Passing showers; S. E.; bar. 29.60; temp. 46; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Clear; S. E.; bar. 29.68; temp. 38; sea smooth.

Noon.

Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; bar., 29.90; temp., 47.

Cape Lazo—Overcast; S. E.; bar., 29.85; temp., 42; sea smooth.

Tatoosh—Cloudy; S., 18 miles; bar., 29.95; temp., 46; sea smooth.

Pachena—Raining; S. E.; bar., 29.52; temp., 45; sea smooth.

Estevan—Raining; S. E., strong; bar., 29.68; temp., 48; light swell.

Triangle—Overcast; S. E.; bar., 29.85; temp., 46; sea moderate.

Ikeda—Overcast; S., light; bar., 29.54; temp., 42; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Overcast; S. E.; bar., 29.60; temp., 45; sea moderate.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; S. E.; bar., 29.70; temp., 42; sea moderate.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; S. E., gale; bar., 29.69; temp., 42; sea moderate.

Houseman—If I'd known you were going to drop in on us so unexpectedly, we would have had a better dinner. Horton—Don't mention it, old man; but next time I'll be sure and let you know.

Judge—"And you still claim to be innocent, although six witnesses say they saw you commit the crime?" Prisoner—"Your honor, I can produce 6,000 who didn't see me."

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NUMEROUS TOURISTS WILL COME TO COAST

Capt. Blain Returns to Seattle From East With Very Optimistic Story

Seattle, March 9.—All indications in the east point to a westward movement of pleasure seekers this year that will tax the railroads to the limit, according to Capt. John F. Blain, assistant manager of the Pacific Steamship Company, who has returned from the Atlantic coast via San Diego and San Francisco.

"This year," he said yesterday, "you don't hear school teachers and others saying that they are going to join a party for a tour of Europe. All of them are coming to the coast to take in the San Francisco and San Diego expositions and Puget Sound, with many of them planning tours to Alaska. The tourist traffic through Seattle will be of record heaviness."

Captain Blain was gone from Seattle twenty-nine days. He went east on company business, in connection with the chartering of the freighters Montara and Meteor in the Atlantic coast trade. Each vessel was chartered for a year.

Arctic Vessel Outfits.

First of Seattle's fleet of Arctic ocean vessels to prepare for the approaching season in the far north, the famous three-mast steam whaling barque Belvedere, owned and operated by the Hibbard-Swenson Company of Seattle, shifted yesterday to the Lilly mill in the west waterway to load a consignment of flour for her own use and for trading purposes. Later she will shift to Pier 7 to continue taking her cargo of supplies and trading shipments.

Capt. A. P. Jochimsen, who last year won fame as the navigator of the power schooner King & Winge when she rescued the Stefansson survivors from Wrangell Island, will be master for the 1915 season. He succeeds Capt. S. F. Cottle, now master of the power schooner Ruby, owned by J. E. Shields and Capt. Louis Knaflich, which passed out at the cape on Sunday, on a record-breaking early season invasion of Bering sea. Jochimsen is one of Seattle's best-known Arctic navigators.

The Belvedere several weeks ago emerged from the plant of the Seattle Construction and Drydock Company, where she was overhauled and put in condition for the coming Arctic season. Her hull, masts and spars are painted black, giving her a formidable appearance. Around the hull runs a yellow belt and the vessel's name and her figurehead are painted in the same color. The figurehead represents an eagle rampant.

The whaler returned to Seattle last fall after a year and a half in the Arctic, having been frozen in during the winter of 1912-1913.

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TIMES SHIPPING CHART

DEEP SEA ARRIVALS

Steamer	Master	Tonnage	Agents	From	Due
Chancellor	Donald	2,985	Balfour, Guthrie	Liverpool	Mar. 20
Sado Maru	Asakawa	3,829	G. Northern	Hongkong	Mar. 16
Astyanax	.....	4,476	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	Mar. 15
Epsom	Hill	2,970	Canadian Northern	Sydney, C.B.	Mar. 10
Makura	Phillips	4,921	C. P. R.	Sydney	Mar. 11
Titan	Read	5,809	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	Mar. 13
Seattle Maru	Saito	3,823	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	Mar. 21
Monteagle	Davison	3,580	C. P. R.	Hongkong	Mar. 20
Awa Maru	Hori	3,840	G. Northern	Hongkong	Mar. 30
Buenaventura	Fitzsimmons	3,589	R. W. Greer	New York	Mar. 25
Chidzuoka Maru	Degachi	4,250	G. Northern	Hongkong	April 3
Pachaon	.....	4,277	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	April 5
Niagara	Rolls	7,582	C. P. R.	Sydney	April 8
Mexico Maru	Kobyashi	3,840	R. P. Rithet	Hongkong	April 10
Spectator	Netherton	2,435	Balfour, Guthrie	Liverpool	April 15
Calchas	Jones	4,279	Dodwell & Co.	Liverpool	May 3

DEEP-SEA DEPARTURES

Tacoma Maru, R.P.Rithet, H'gk'g.	Mar. 9
Oanfa, Dodwell, Hongkong	Mar. 10
Makura, C.P.R., Australia	Mar. 17
Panama Maru, R.P.Rithet, H'gk'g.	Mar. 19
Sado Maru, G.N., Hongkong	Mar. 23
Awa Maru, G.N., Hongkong	April 9
Niagara, C. P. R., Sydney	April 14

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Prince John, G.T.P., Q. Charlottes. Mar. 17

For Northern Ports

Prince George, G.T.P., P. Rupert. Mar. 15
Prince John, G.T.P., Q. Charlottes. Mar. 17
Princess Maquinna, Skagway ..... Mar. 19

For West Coast

Tees, Clayoquot ..... Mar. 10

From West Coast

Tees, Clayoquot ..... Mar. 14

From San Francisco

President, Pacific Coast ..... Mar. 15
Governor, Pacific Coast ..... Mar. 22

For San Francisco

Governor, Pacific Coast ..... Mar. 12
President, Pacific Coast ..... Mar. 19

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OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late Blanch Tollefsen, who died on March 5 at Swan Lake district, took place this afternoon from the Thomson Funeral chapel at 2.30. Rev. Mr. Thorpe officiated. There was a large attendance of friends, and many beautiful floral tributes covered the casket.

The funeral of the late Robert Bruce Hudson took place last Saturday from the Thomson Funeral chapel at 2 o'clock, Rev. S. J. Thomson officiating. St. Andrew's lodge, A. F. and A. M., attended in a body and took charge of the service at the graveside. There were many personal friends of the deceased present, and the casket was covered with flowers. The hymns sung were "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and "Rock of Ages." The following acted as pallbearers: D. S. Robertson, Alderman Dilworth, F. Dresser, A. L. Beltbick, W. H. Armstrong, N. Sparks.

The funeral of the late Eugene Campbell took place on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 from the family residence, Rev. William Stevenson officiating. There was a big attendance of friends at the service, and many exquisite floral emblems covered the casket. The pallbearers were: Masters Sherwood, Parfitt, Sheepwash, H. Parfitt.

The funeral of the late Frederick Nicholls, who died suddenly on his way to Tatoosh Harbor, took place yesterday afternoon from the Thomson Funeral chapel at 3 o'clock. Rev. Joseph Philp officiated. Beautiful flowers covered the coffin, and many friends attended the services. The hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was sung. The pallbearers were: Messrs. J. Jeffers, F. Whiffen, Cassidy and Thomas.

The funeral of the late William R. Mallenden, who died at Sidney, will take place to-morrow at 3 o'clock, service at the B. C. Funeral chapel.

The death occurred yesterday in the Jubilee hospital of John Irving, at the age of 70 years. Deceased, who was born in the Orkney Islands, Scotland, came to Victoria to live two years ago from Los Angeles, where he had resided for several years. He was unmarried, had no relatives in the city, and was a member of the Masonic order. The funeral will be under the auspices of the Masons, and will take place on Thursday at 2.30 from the B. C. Funeral chapel.

The funeral of the late Sha Fay, who died last Sunday, took place this afternoon from the Thomson Funeral chapel. Interment was in the Chinese cemetery.

The death occurred at an early hour this morning of Lee Mew Kun, a native of Hung Mee, Nong San, China. He was 23 years of age. The funeral will take place from the Thomson Funeral chapel to-morrow at 2.30. Interment will be in the Chinese cemetery.

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WANTED—20 h. p., model 4, Buick auto, in any condition. Arthur H. Dandridge, Oak Bay avenue. Phone 4348. m11

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CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. R. B. Hudson and family wish to thank their many friends for the beautiful flowers sent, and for the kind words of sympathy, during their recent sad bereavement.

TOURISTS COMING TO CITY

Christian Endeavor Society Will Form One Party of Sighteers to Victoria This Summer.

Unremitting efforts are being made by the Victoria and Island Development association to bring through this city much of the immense tourist traffic that is expected on the coast this summer on account of the Panama-Pacific fair in San Francisco. In addition to spreading broadcast handsomely bound booklets, beautifully illustrated, and exquisitely designed calendars advertising the many attractions of the city, the association is in communication with all the various tourist agencies, which will conduct parties to and from the fair and to other points of interest along the coast, with a view to having these parties stop over in Victoria.

Already a visit from one large party is assured, word to this effect having been received this morning. This is the Christian Endeavor society, which will hold its annual convention in Chicago, commencing July 5. Following the convention many of the members will form a party to tour the Pacific coast going as far north as Alaska. The organizers have agreed to a stop-over in Victoria of a day and a half. The party is due to arrive here on July 29.

Lists of touring parties for the year have been received from Cook's and Panama-Pacific agencies. The former has 168 parties listed and the latter 47. The Victoria and Island Development association hopes to be able to bring a large number of these through the city.

In all probability the annual meeting of the V. & I. D. A. will be held on Thursday of this week, although the exact date has not been fixed.

RECIPROCAL TRADING BETWEEN DOMINIONS

Board of Trade Notified That Australia Wants Reciprocity With Canada

Prospects of a reciprocal trade agreement between Canada and Australia which would benefit lumbering and other industries here and enable B. C. consumers to get foodstuffs from Australia at less cost than at present were held out at this morning's meeting of the council of the board of trade.

A letter from the Sydney Chamber of Commerce acknowledged the receipt of a copy of the local board's resolution advocating reciprocity between Canada and Australia, and advised that the chambers of commerce throughout Australia have repeatedly urged the establishment of reciprocal relations. The hope was expressed in the communication that the combined efforts of the commercial organiations of Canada and Australia will result in the achievement of the object desired.

That the lumbering situation, as it affects British Columbia, is causing some apprehension is indicated by the fact that this formed the subject of considerable discussion, and it was decided to put this, together with the matter of technical education in the province, on the agenda paper for the monthly general meeting of the board, which is to be held at 3 o'clock on Thursday afternoon. At present the excessive charter rates imposed upon British Columbia exporters makes it impossible for them to compete successfully with their rivals on the United States coast. This state of affairs would be alleviated, it is pointed out, by the adoption of a reciprocal trade agreement between Canada and Australia which would give the former preference in the Australian lumber markets.

Complaints that have reached the board against the high rates of exchange prevailing in transactions between this city and the United States occupied the attention of the members for some time, and the opinion prevailed that the condition in this regard had been brought about by the war. A circular issued in Seattle states that the condition is due to the "action taken by Canadian banks in imposing heavy exchange charges on Canadian cheques, etc." The Victoria clearing house will be asked for an explanation.

In response to a request from the Central Employment and Relief bureau, William Agnew and W. A. Jamieson, of the board of trade, will be asked to act on that bureau.

Sir Richard McBride acknowledged a copy of the board's resolution in respect to assisting agriculture, stating that a bill having this in view was being introduced in the legislature.

Among other matters considered was the appointment of a special trade agent for the West Indies and east coast of South America. This was laid over. Points in connection with inner harbor matters, one in particular relating to the headline laid down between the railway bridge and the Grand Trunk wharf, were also taken up and referred to the committee on harbors and navigation.

C. H. Lugrin, vice-president, was in the chair.

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Women's Household League.—There will be a general meeting of the Women's Household league at the Y. W. C. A. restroom, 912 Douglas street, on Monday next at 2.30 p. m.

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Friendly Help Wants.—No offers either of the two cook-stoves or big perambulator have as yet been received by the Friendly Help Society, which would be immensely grateful for the gifts.

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Seek Information.—Friends in Toronto are anxious to locate James Holding, who was last heard of in this city about ten months ago. Anyone having information should communicate with the detective office.

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Aletha Club.—The first late dance of the Aletha club will be held on Wednesday, March 10, in Cloverdale hall, from 8.30 till 1 a. m. All arrangements have been made to make the affair a success, and a splendid programme of dances will be provided. Music will be furnished by Miss Norrish's orchestra. It has also been arranged to have jitneys at the hall at 1 p. m., for the convenience of those living at a distance.

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Work on Songhees Reserve.—About one hundred men were at work yesterday on the Songhees reserve area, clearing away debris on the beach and levelling a portion of the right-of-way for the common user trackage. The appearance of activity presented by these operations aroused the curiosity of not a few citizens and the comment was frequently heard that the nature of the work at present being done did not indicate a serious intention on the part of the government to see the undertaking through at this time.

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Will Address Rally.—A mass meeting of Christian Endeavorers and those interested in their work will be held to-night in the Metropolitan church at 8 o'clock. Karl Lehman, field secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, is making a tour of United States and Canada, arousing new interest in the Christian Endeavor work wherever he goes. Alderman McNeill will preside at the meeting, and a good musical programme has been arranged. The whole programme promises to be especially profitable and enjoyable.

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Discuss Labor Situation.—A meeting will be held at Tillicum Road to-night in connection with the labor situation in Saanich, and particularly in regard to the minimum wage scale recently adopted by the council and to which objection is taken.

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Chief Forester at Ottawa.—H. R. MacMillan, chief forester for B. C., has gone to Ottawa to confer with the Hon. Sir George Foster, minister of trade and commerce, in connection with his forthcoming tour to Australia in the capacity as trade commissioner for the federal government in connection with the lumber industry. Mr. MacMillan has resigned his provincial appointment here temporarily pending the fulfilment of his duties as commissioner. He will remain at Ottawa a few days, and anticipates being back in Victoria in time to sail by the S. S. Makura on March 17. Mr. MacMillan will resume some of those matters having to do with the reciprocal trade relations between Australia and Canada taken up by Sir George Foster on the occasion of his visit there about two years ago, but which were dropped shortly afterwards owing to a change of ministry in the Commonwealth.

PROBABLE DIVISION IN CONSERVATIVE RANKS

Said to Be Four Aspirants to Two Disputed Nominations for City

There is every indication of a serious split arising in Conservative ranks in this city before election day comes round. It is generally known that of the four Victoria members of the late legislature only two, Sir Richard McBride and H. B. Thomson, will be candidates at the forthcoming election, both H. F. W. Behnsen and C. F. Davey being shelved for good and all.

Trouble seems likely to arise because of the fact that there are four aspirants for the two nominations, each having his own band of followers, so that the Conservative convention which will meet this week to decide finally on its candidates promises to be a most lively and interesting gathering.

Report has it that the four aspirants to the two disputed nominations are Reginald Hayward, A. G. Sargison, William Blakemore, and Ald. George Okell, each of whom is reported to be determined to be included in the new "big four."

Further complications are promised by the existence of the Imperial Conservative association, which it is freely said will attempt to place one or more candidates in the field. This organization is by no means satisfied at the manner in which things are being run by the older body, and they are in sufficient strength to make things very lively if their selections are entirely ignored.

VAGRANCY CHARGE FAILS

Men Bothered Residents of Fairfield but Those Accused Were Not Identified.

The fact that two men had last week been bothering residents of the Fairfield district by knocking at doors and demanding food, and in some cases asking for a bed for the night, led to the arrest of two men who were charged in the police court with vagrancy this morning. One of the men named Wilson was discharged, and the other named Gordon was allowed out on his own recognizances.

Mrs. M. E. Walker, Linden avenue, told the court that two men had knocked at her door, and when she opened it one of them had made a step forward as if to enter. She had hurriedly closed the door and locked it. She thought one of the men charged to be the one who had advanced towards her doorstep as if to enter but she could not recognize the second man.

Magistrate Jay said the light was on her side and the man was in the dark. He could see nothing, however, in the evidence that would justify a conviction for vagrancy.

Charges of having no licenses against three express drivers were withdrawn, the case of F. Pulice was remanded until March 10.

Personals

Rev. Otto Gerbich officiated at the marriage of Ellen M. Cook and Wm. M. Caley, which took place recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McGinnis, 938 View street. Mr. and Mrs. Caley will make their home in Victoria.

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Mr. Sampson, the Cornish evangelist, has gone to Sidney for a few days, but will return again to Victoria at the end of the month.

"Is the office boy on duty to keep people away from me?" "Yes, sir." "Is there a bench in the hall on which busy business men may sit while waiting to see me?" "Yes, sir." "Is there a hidden lock on the gate that leads into the outer office?" "Yes, sir." "Has the telephone girl been instructed to ask all who call for me their names and business?" "Oh, yes, sir—our telephone girl knows all about that." "And to consult me before permitting any one to talk to me?" "Yes, sir." "Is everything arranged here to make it as difficult as possible for people to transact business with this firm?" "It is." "Good! Then I'll go into my office and begin impressing the populace with my importance."

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Our civilian corps, writes a correspondent of the Manchester Guardian, is richly equipped with zeal and energy, but in the matter of guns—I beg its pardon, rifles—is still capable of being improved. Inquiries are being made to that end. At last parade the drill instructor addressed the company thus: "All those without arms hold up their hands!" The company performed the feat with loud laughter.

EMPRESS HOTEL

Dinner Dance

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Friday, March 12

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF VICTORIA, HOLDEN AT VICTORIA.

Between Wilson Bros., Plaintiff, and J. K. Ollis, Defendant, and Mackenzie Mann & Co., Ltd., Garnishee.

Pursuant to the order of His Honor Judge Lampman made in this action on the 2nd day of March, 1915, notice is hereby given that all creditors of the defendant claiming the right to participate in the moneys paid into Court in this action by the Garnishee shall appear before the Registrar at the Court House, Bastion Square, Victoria, B. C., at the hour of 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, on the 20th day of March, 1915, and prove their claims.

And further take notice that the defendant has been ordered to appear and give evidence at the hour and place above mentioned.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., March 8, 1915.

CHARLES E. WILSON,
Plaintiff's Solicitor.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The Brethren of Camosun Lodge No. 60, A. F. & A. M., will attend at Masonic Hall at 1.45 p.m. Thursday, to attend the funeral of our late Brother John Irvine, of Acacia Lodge No. 61, Hamilton, Ont. Funeral leaves B. C. Undertaking parlors, Broughton St., at 2.30. Visiting Brethren welcomed.

By order,
JOHN JACKSON,
Secretary.

S. O. E.

Funeral Notice

All members are requested to meet at the lodge room, Courtney street, on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. to attend the funeral of our late Brother W. R. Mallander. All visiting Brothers are invited to attend.

JAS. P. TEMPLE,
Secretary.

Oak Bay Liberal Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Oak Bay Liberal Association will be held at the Arena on Wednesday next, the 10th day of March, at 8 p.m.

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Financial News

LOCAL LIST SHOWS FEATURES UNCHANGED

Strength Attaches to Prices Throughout but Quotations Mark Time

In the absence of any factor of note only minor changes characterized prices on the local stock exchange this morning.

Glacier and Portland were again prominent in interest, but reflected no fresh impulse, the former issue persisting in its gradual strengthening method.

Slight betterment was seen in Coronation and likewise in Rambler, with offers of the latter taken off the board at the finish. McGillivray showed conserved firmness at 20@25, and shares are no more apparently for sale at the prevailing prices than has been the case for a long time past.

	Bid.	Asked.
Blackbird Syndicate	$12.00	$30.00
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Island Investment	..	22.00
Union Club (deb.)	20.00	35.00
Athabasca	.29	.37
P. C. Tunnels	..	.06

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ANOTHER ADVANCE IN VALUES AT WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, March 9.—Another substantial advance took place on the wheat market to-day. Opening prices were 1⅛c. to 4⅛c. higher, and May advanced a further 1⅛c. While July and October opening figures were the high points previous to noon, all the months eased off considerably, and at noon May was 150¼, July 150¼ and October 115¼.

While the amount of business in futures was not so heavy as on Monday, there was a good class of buying. Sentiment, it was claimed, was less bullish about midday, a reaction being expected in the face of the very rapid advance of the past few days, but this did not materialize. Export business was active so far as inquiries went, but no new transactions were recorded, the rapid advance being a deterrent. The demand for cash wheat was excellent, and quite a heavy business was carried on in No. 2 northern wheat, both for spot and for opening of navigation delivery. The spreads were again narrowing to-day, showing the keenness of the demand.

Inspections on Tuesday were 487 cars, of which 225 cars were wheat. In sight to-day were 400 cars.

Oats opened ⅜c. higher, making a further fractional gain, and flax was unchanged to 1c. higher, but trading was light.

Winnipeg wheat futures closed 5c. higher for May and July and 1⅝c. for October. Cash closed 4⅝c. to 5⅛c. higher on contract. Oats closed ⅛c. to ⅝c. higher. Flax closed ⅛c. to 1⅛c. higher.

	Open.	Close.
Wheat—		
May	150	152¼
July	151½	152
Oct.	117	117
Oats—		
May	64¼	64
July	..	64¼
Barley—		
May	..	79
Flax—		
May	166⅝	166⅞
July	169½	169⅞
Oct.	171	171⅛

Cash prices: Wheat—1 Nor., 150; 2 Nor., 148⅜; 3 Nor., 145⅜; No. 4, 140⅞; No. 5, 136; No. 6, 132; feed, 127.

Oats—2 C. W., 62; 3 C. W., 59; extra 1 feed, 58½; 1 feed, 57.

Barley—No. 3, 75; No. 4, 75; feed, 67.

Flax—1 N. W. C., 162⅞; 2 C. W., 159⅞.

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NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Jan.	...	...	...	9.52-54
March	...	...	...	8.50-52
May	8.83	8.84	8.74	8.75-76
July	9.05	9.05	8.97	8.99-90
Oct.	9.30	9.32	9.24	9.26-27
Dec.	9.44	9.49	9.41	9.44-45

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New York, March 9.—Lead, $3.85@$3.90; spelter, $11.50 bid. Tin nominal; 5-ton lots, $47@$51. Copper firm; electrolytic, $14.75@$14.87; casting, $14.25@$14.62. Iron steady and unchanged.

ADVANCE WAS CHECKED BUT PRICES HELD UP

Constructive Side of List Was Favored and Bears Did Not Sell

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

New York, March 9.—Bethlehem Steel and Missouri Pacific recorded further gains, but the rest of prices hesitated without making declines of consequence.

Foreigners, as well as influential domestic interests recently apathetic, were still arrayed on the constructive side of stocks.

There was nothing of importance in the news for the day, but the absence of adverse factors in the situation left narrow scope for bearish operations. Transactions were in less volume than yesterday.

	High.	Low.	Bid.
Alaska Gold	30⅞	30¼	30¼
Amal. Copper	55½	54⅞	54⅞
Amn. Beet Sugar	40	39⅞	39½
Amn. Can.	28	27⅛	27½
Amn. Ice Securities	28½	28⅜	28
Amn. Smelting	64	63⅜	63⅜
Amn. Sugar	102	102	101½
Amn. Tel. & Tel.	120⅝	120½	120⅜
Anaconda	26½	26	26
Atchison	96½	96	95½
B. & O.	68½	67⅞	67½
Bethlehem Steel	56⅝	55⅜	55⅜
B. R. T., x-d. 1½ p. c.	87½	86⅜	86½
C. P. R.	160½	159¼	159
Cal. Petroleum	17½	17	17
Central Leather	33⅞	33⅜	32⅜
C. & O.	42½	42	41½
C., M. & St. P.	88¼	87½	87½
Colo. Fuel & Iron	24⅞	24½	23⅞
Con. Gas	117½	117	117½
Distillers Sec.	9½	9	9
Erie	22½	22	22
Gen. Motors	93	93	92
Goodrich	31½	31	31½
G. N., pref.	115⅞	115⅜	115⅜
G. N. Ore ctfs.	32⅜	32½	31½
Guggenheim	51	50½	50½
Inter-Metropolitan	12⅞	12⅜	12⅜
Do., pref.	59⅜	59	59½
Inter. Harvester	93	93	93
Lehigh Valley	135⅞	134⅞	134⅝
Maxwell Motor	29½	28⅞	29½
Mex. Petroleum	67⅞	66½	67
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	114⅞	114½	114
Mo. Pacific	13⅜	12	12½
Nat. Lead	54½	53⅞	53½
Nevada Cons.	13	12⅞	12⅞
New Haven	52⅜	51⅞	52½
N. Y. C.	83⅞	83¼	83½
N. & W.	102¼	102	101⅜
N. P.	104	103	102⅝
Pennsylvania	105½	105½	105
People's Gas	120	119⅜	120
Pittsburg Coal	20	19⅞	19½
Reading	146⅛	145¼	145¼
Rep. Iron & Steel	20⅞	20½	20½
S. P.	85½	84½	84½
Sou. Railway	16½	15⅞	15⅞
Do., pref.	51½	51½	51
Studebaker Corpn.	47⅞	46⅞	46⅞
Tenn. Copper	28	27	27½
U. P.	120⅞	119⅞	120
U. S. Rubber	56½	56½	56
Do., 1st pref.	103½	103	102½
U. S. Steel	45⅞	45	45½
Do., pref.	105⅛	105	104⅞

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Total sales, stocks, 204,200 shares.

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INFLUENTIAL FACTORS ALL BULLISH IN WHEAT

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Chicago, March 9.—Higher cables, bullish news in regard to the foreign demand received from Liverpool, further gains in Argentine and light offerings were all bull factors in wheat, and prices were much higher, especially for May. Situation in later months seems to be growing tighter right along, and with the big premiums prevailing the light country offerings are significant. Receipts moderate here, and in west only 550,000 against 659,000 bushels a year ago. Cables for spot wheat were 1@1½ higher. World's stocks 7,600,000 larger than week ago against decrease of 2,872,000 year ago. Clearances 758,000. The market is again showing strong undertone, and with daily seaboard sales of large proportions the bulls have the strong cash situation in their favor.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
May	152 @151	155	151	155
July	121 @121	122⅞	119⅞	122½
Sept.	112	112½	109⅞	111½
Corn—				
May	74¼	74⅞	72⅞	73½
July	76½	76⅞	75	75⅞
Oats—				
May	57⅞@ 57⅞	58	56⅞	57⅞
July	53⅜@ 53	53½	52⅞	53½
Pork—				
May	17.82	17.85	17.65	17.65
July	18.32	18.32	18.05	18.05
Lard—				
May	10.52	10.55	10.47	10.52
July	10.72	10.80	10.72	10.77
Short Ribs—				
May	10.17	10.17	10.07	10.10
July	10.47	10.47	10.37	10.37

VICTORIA BOYS PHOTOGRAPHED IN TORONTO

The above photograph of the mechanical transport section from Victoria was taken in Toronto a few days ago. The men, who were on their way to the front, were in the best of health, and happy to be on their way to the scene of activities.

OBSTINATE FIGHTING ON EASTERN FRONT

Berlin Writers Profess Optimism Over Situation at the Dardanelles

London, March 9.—Obstinate fighting marks the battles along the eastern front on the continent, with the Germans slowly withdrawing from the river Niemen in the direction of the East Prussian frontier. At the same time the new offensive movement against Warsaw and on the Pilica evidently has not as yet developed into the great engagement which has been expected in this locality.

In the western arena of hostilities the only new feature lately has been the allied air attack on Ostend. In the Champagne region, where the French have been assuming the offensive lately, a snowstorm has given a forced rest to the troops. It is not unwelcome, for they have been almost constantly engaged for the last fortnight.

Judging from a statement yesterday by the British admiralty it is apparent that only one merchantman, the collier Bengrove, has fallen a victim to the submarine blockade of the Germans since February 25.

The first hint of British retaliation against the personnel of German submarine raiders has been conveyed in an official statement that the officers and crew of the German under-sea boat, U-8 which fell a prey to a flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers detailed to hunt for submarines, will be denied the usual privileges of prisoners of war.

Press comment appearing in Berlin indicates a feeling of optimism over the near eastern situation. The Turks' opinion that the Dardanelles are impregnable is being endorsed, and papers express the belief that King Constantine will hold Greece to a course of neutrality.

MEMBER OF SIXTEENTH BATTALION IS DEAD

Ottawa, March 9.—The death of Walter J. Smith, of the 16th battalion, Canadian overseas force, is announced in a casuality list issued this morning. W. J. Smith, 1011 Connor street, Vancouver, is next of kin.

GERMAN FORCES HAVE SUFFERED HEAVY LOSSES

Paris, March 9.—Evidence given by prisoners is cited in a semi-official note issued by the war office to prove that German losses in dead and wounded have been very heavy.

The statement is made that one active regiment (3,000 men) lost 700 in an attack on February 16, while a regiment of chasseurs had all its officers killed or wounded on January 8.

The stretcher-bearers of a field ambulance have stated that every night for three weeks they brought in from 350 to 400 seriously wounded Germans.

ANOTHER REPORT FOR CONSUMPTION BY TURKS

Amsterdam, Mar. 9.—An official statement from the Turkish ministry, received here to-day from Constantinople, says that the British lost 400 men in the recent battle at the head of the Persian Gulf. The statement follows:

"Three battalions of British infantry, with two quick-firing field guns, two mountain guns, one machine gun section and one squadron of cavalry, attempted on March 3 to attack our positions in the region of Ahwaz (in Khuzistan). After a counter-attack by our troops the British fled in disorder to their ships, leaving four hundred dead or wounded. Among the dead were one British major and four other officers.

"We captured three guns, two hundred horses and a great quantity of Red Cross material. Our losses were insignificant."

OBREGON AND FORCES LEAVING MEXICO CITY

Washington, March 9.—American Consul Silliman telegraphed from Vera Cruz to-day that he had been reliably informed that the evacuation of Mexico City by the forces of General Obregon began at 9 o'clock last night.

CANADIANS LOST MANY BUTTONS AND BADGES

Souvenir-Hunters in France Were Very Busy; A Wounded Corporal's Story

London, March 9.—Souvenir-hunting among the Canadians by the natives of northern France has resulted in the Canucks reaching the line of battle almost bereft of buttons and badges. A corporal now in a hospital here has something to say about the manner the Canadians themselves went hunting souvenirs.

"The first taste of the Germans we had was when we were billeted in farm buildings," he said. "A shell came along and dropped in a field about three hundred yards away. A lot of our boys started off into the open to pick up bits of the shell as souvenirs. They were ordered back at once but several got what they set out for.

"The battalion did trench work some time after for twenty-four hours. They all got used to it at once. The most awkward thing about it in my mind was getting into the trenches. You are practically all right once there, so long as you keep your head down.

The corporal is in Shorncliffe hospital with a thigh fractured by a German bullet. He was in one of those ferocious rushes which the Princess Patricias made for the German trenches some days ago.

Major George M. Higinbotham, of Toronto, who was operated on last week, is progressing splendidly.

Shorncliffe hospital now contains fifty-five patients, its full capacity. Most of these, as already shown, are Canadians.

CANADIANS AT FRONT ASK FOR NEWSPAPERS

London, March 9.—From letters received here from Canadians at the front it is learned that it is impossible to send them too many Canadian newspapers. The Canucks are all along a three-hundred-mile battleline, which makes it impossible for one newspaper to serve so many men as was the case when the troops were all practically in one spot.

Another thing desired is French dictionaries. This morning a letter was received by the Canadian Associated Press from Private Harry Murton asking for papers.

"I would be much obliged, too, if you would get us some pocket editions of French-English dictionaries," he said. "We are right up in the firing line but I cannot give any information."

BOOT INVESTIGATION CONTINUES AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, March 9.—Major-General Macdonald, quartermaster-general, was the chief witness at the boot inquiry to-day. He said there never had been before this year more than trivial complaints against the militia boots. Generally they had given good satisfaction and any complaints received were not serious enough to warrant him in asking the minister for a change in the pattern which had been the same since 1904. He had found no porous or fraudulent material in the boots. There was just as much haste for boots for the second contingent as for the first, he said.

Twenty-six of the witnesses who were heard at regimental boot inquiries at various points in the Dominion will be summoned to appear before the parliamentary committee.

TWENTY-TWO TRANSPORTS ON WAY TO THE STRAIT?

Berlin, March 9.—A dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung says that a steamer arriving at an Italian port reports having met twenty-two French transports near the island of Malta, heading toward the Dardanelles.

MORATORIUM IN FRANCE.

Paris, March 9.—There has been prepared by the government a new decree which extends the moratorium in France for another period of three months, from April 1 to June 30.

MINISTERIAL CRISIS IN BULGARIA ALSO

Reported That Premier Radoslavoff Wished to Take Action Against Turkey

Paris, March 9.—A ministerial crisis similar to that in Greece has occurred in Bulgaria, according to information reaching Paris by special dispatches. Premier Radoslavoff is reported to have been overthrown by the influence of King Ferdinand and the followers of Dr. Ghenadieff, former foreign minister, because he desired to take immediate action against Turkey by occupying Adrianople.

Radoslavoff's opponents are said to have declared that this policy, which would have placed Bulgaria in opposition to Germany and Austria, was too adventurous. The principal argument they are reported to have used was that the resignation of Premier Venizelos, at Athens, left Greece more isolated than before and that if Bulgaria remained neutral she might hope for advantages other than those she would find in Thrace.

Although this information has not been definitely confirmed, it is generally believed in French official circles that Radoslavoff had resolved to march on Adrianople if Greece pronounced for the Triple Entente, and that Venizelos made such an announcement at Athens when the question of intervention came up.

STILL HAVE MASTERY OVER ENEMY'S SNIPERS

Report From Headquarters of Sir John French Says General Situation Unchanged

London, March 9.—One of the semi-weekly reports from the headquarters in the field of the British commander, Sir John French, issued to-day by the official information bureau, says the situation on that part of the front held by the British forces is unchanged. In certain sections advantages have been gained. The report says:

"The situation on our front is unchanged. The mastery over the enemy's snipers, reported in the previous communication as having been acquired in the neighborhood of La Bassee, has been maintained, and similar conditions have been produced in other portions of our front, notably in the region of Ypres.

"This result is primarily due to local individual initiative and has been materially assisted by successful mining operations.

"On the night of March 5-6 a mine was exploded under a German trench southeast of Ypres. Several of the enemy were killed. The mine crater was occupied temporarily by our troops and the enemy's trench on either side was rendered useless.

"On several sectors of our front the enemy's artillery has been more active than usual, but the effect has been slight."

STILL A MENACE IF ALLOWED AT LARGE

New York, March 9.—The actual trial of Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, and five co-defendants, for conspiring to effect Thaw's escape from the state hospital at Mattewan, was begun in the supreme court here to-day.

Deputy Attorney-general Kennedy said it was the contention of the state that Thaw was insane at the time of his flight and that it would still constitute a menace to the public safety to allow him at large.

CAUGHT IN ICE.

St. Johns, Nfld., March 9.—Four sealing steamers, the Terra Nova, Viking, Erik and Diana, which sailed for the Gulf of St. Lawrence, are caught in an ice pack not far from port today and are reported in danger of being driven ashore in a threatening blizzard. The four steamers have a total of 675 men on board.

OUTPUT OF SUPPLIES IS ALL IMPORTANT

Lloyd George Makes Statement in Introducing Measure in House of Commons

London, March 9.—A drastic amendment to the Defence of the Realm Act, unexpectedly presented to the House of Commons this afternoon by Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George, passed all its stages. The chancellor proposed that the government be empowered to commandeer all factories required for war purposes.

Up to the present firms and factories already producing war materials could be taken under government control. The bill of the chancellor extents this power to cover all other concerns which the government may wish to utilize for this purpose.

Mr. Lloyd George laid particular emphasis upon his statement that not only the duration, but the success, of the war depended upon the output of munitions. The government, he declared, proposed to organize the entire engineering community through a committee headed by business men, with the idea of assisting in the increase of output.

WOUNDED CANADIANS TELL OF FIGHTING

Members of Princess Patricia Regiment Tell How They Worsted the Germans

London, March 9.—One of the most dashing exploits of the war so far was the capture and blowing up of German trenches by the Princess Patricias a week ago. Eight wounded members of the Pats, who have arrived at the Queen's Canadian hospital at Shorncliffe, describe it as the first bayonet charge by the regiment.

Early in the morning the regiment charged a German position, killing eight and wounding more than twenty. The remainder of the German detachment was put to flight. The German trench was then blown up. This all happened in twenty minutes. The Pats suffered two killed and sixteen wounded, including Major Hamilton Gault, who is now in the hospital at Shorncliffe.

Most of the Canadian casualties occurred when the Pats were returning to their own trenches, when machine guns were turned on them by the Germans. Several Germans who had been captured by the Pats were killed by the fire of their own men. While one company of the Pats was capturing the German trench, another held off the German supports. Much praise is given the regiment for its gallant feat.

It is reported that the Canadian Highland brigade, including the 48th regiment, Toronto, has been in heavy fighting in the trenches with light losses. The Canadian artillery, including the big guns, is doing effective work.

CANADIANS WHO ARE AT SHORNCLIFFE HOSPITAL

London, March 9.—The following Canadians are at Shorncliffe hospital in addition to those already mentioned:

Canadian division—Drummer Wood, rheumatism; Private Martin, internal complications; Robert Park, shrapnel wound in hand and leg; Charles McCarthy, bullet in foot.

Princess Patricias—Private James Watson, rheumatism, enlisted at Edmonton; Sergeant Samuel Vivian Patterson, bullet in arm, enlisted at Winnipeg; Sidney Middleman, bullet in shoulder; Henry Skinner, shrapnel in forearm, enlisted from Port Hope, Ontario; Bugler Harold Crane, fractured skull, enlisted at Toronto; Corporal Kysh, frozen feet.

The names of Sidney Middleman and Corporal Kysh do not appear in the regimental roll of the Princess Patricias.

ADDITIONS TO FUND.

Ottawa, March 9.—Hon. W. T. White, honorary secretary of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, this morning acknowledged the receipt of $121,141 from the Saskatchewan and $46,143 from the Montreal branch of the fund.

NO REPLY YET.

Washington, March 9.—So far no formal reply has been received from France and Great Britain to the inquiries by the United States as to the means the allies intend to pursue in holding up cargoes destined to their enemies. President Wilson said today that he had been informed unofficially that the order-in-council was to have been issued by Great Britain yesterday.

BERNHARDT IMPROVING.

Bordeaux, March 9.—Continued improvement in the condition of Sarah Bernhardt was reported to-day by her physicians.

PRUSSIAN BUDGET.

London, March 9.—The Prussian Diet accepted the budget on the third reading to-day, says a Reuter message from Berlin. The Socialist members voted against the measure and the Poles and Danes refrained from voting.

WILL AGREE QUICKLY TO SOME OF DEMANDS

China Will Expedite Discussions With Japan; Tokio Government Sends Note

Peking, March 9.—M. Hioki, the Japanese minister at Peking, in charge of the Japanese negotiations with China concerning the Tokio demands, has handed to Lu Cheng-Hsing, Chinese minister of foreign affairs, a communication which China interprets as implying that unless the demands are accepted by March 12, force will be employed by Japan.

This notice is not considered an ultimatum by the Chinese government. Nevertheless Lu Cheng-Hsing, after a series of conferences with President Yuan Shi Kai, has decided to expedite the discussions with the Japanese legation and to agree quickly to those of the demands which China considers it possible to accept.

There is reason to believe that the foreign office has informed Japan that the utmost China is able to concede is the eleven demands which Japan originally communicated to the powers with their safeguarding modifications. To-day's conference resulted in no further definite progress and it would appear that another deadlock has been reached. It was agreed to-day, however, to begin holding conferences three times a week instead of twice a week, as in the past.

FARMERS' BANK CASE.

Toronto, March 9.—The defunct Farmers' bank shareholders contest their double liability on the ground that the charter was obtained illegally and that the bank was never properly organized. The case involves about $1,000,000 and is to be heard by an official referee.

There are no rules which give a country the right to claim possession of the air above its territory, and in the present war aviators can fly over neutral country without committing a breach of the law. The sea up to three miles from the coast is included in the territory of a country.

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An officer writes:—"I have had some quite exciting experiences when out here. One night I was detailed to go forward and make a report on the condition of the German barbed wire escarpments. I went out with one man and crawled up to within 20 yards of their trench, when I saw a patrol of about 10 Germans going off, so I lay very low and waited developments. They came across my front and passed within 10 to 12 yards and did not see us. It would be difficult to express my feelings as these men advanced. I was wondering whether I should be discovered or whether I should get off and whether I should move or whether I should stay still. It really was the most exciting moment of my life. We saw them march off with rifles patrolling their front of their line, and I was very relieved. My Christmas Day was very remarkable. The informal truce continued until Boxing Day about 3 p. m., when a deserter from the German lines came over and said that the enemy had taken advantage of the truce and were amassing large bodies of troops preparatory to an attack that night. The man was cross-examined by the divisional officers, and the result was that all our artillery blazed off for about two hours on the roads behind the German trenches. It was a most magnificent sight, rather like a Brocks' benefit at the Crystal Palace, and the noise was appalling. We have since heard that terrible damage was inflicted on the Germans."

A well known London magistrate who has just retired from the bench, has a great repertoire of good stories. His favorite one relates to a case in which he appeared as counsel. In the course of this case he had to cross-examine the wife of a notorious burglar. "You are the wife of this man?" he asked. "I am," she replied. "You knew he was a burglar when you married him?" he proceeded. "I did," she admitted. "How could you possibly marry such a man?" the magistrate demanded. "Well, it was like this," the witness explained confidentially. "I was getting old, and two chaps wanted to marry me. It wasn't easy to choose between 'em, but in the end I married Bill there. The other chap was a lawyer, same as you, sir."

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WILL CITY DELAY ON EXPROPRIATION WORK?

Vancouver Street Case is Postponed; Schedule of Streets to Be Paved

"Unless the owners are willing to meet us on the expropriation cost, I would suggest we should not go further in the matter," said Alderman Porter in speaking to the proposal to extend Vancouver street through from Pandora avenue to Pembroke street in council last evening. "This city's ratepayers are fed up with expropriation by-laws," added the alderman, who suggested laying over the repeal of the by-law for a conference with owners interested.

The mayor advised the repealing of the by-law, and making a start all over again, with a definite understanding from the owners. With that data they would know exactly what was to be paid.

The repeal of the by-law was laid over for a week, with a view to meeting owners at the streets committee meeting on Friday.

In spite of objections to proceed with the paving of St. Andrew's street, taken by Otto Weiler and others, and an application by Rev. F. H. Fatt protesting against any interference with the local improvement by-law, read to city council last evening, the council decided to proceed with the work in accordance with the by-law.

Objection was lodged by owners to the improvement of Grahame street, which is one of those suggested to be pressed at once. The by-law was passed early in 1912.

Alderman Dilworth declared that all the owners, except an absentee from the city, had signed the petition. If they would consent to have the by-law closed up, the aldermen would not wish to desire to press the work.

The matter will be taken up again with the owners at the next streets committee meeting.

When an item was passing through to vote $30,000 to complete streets, Alderman McNeill expressed the opinion it was insufficient, and the mayor agreed with him. However till the expenditure by-law is passed, the item was allowed to stand.

The following expropriation by-laws were repealed: Pembroke, Spring road to Fernwood; Oswego, Simcoe to Dallas (provided for in subdivision); Finlayson, Quadra to Douglas; Helmcken street (widening), and Fisgard, Chambers to Fernwood,

The following street works were passed, the necessary financial arrangements having been made for them: Cormorant street, between Blanshard street and Quadra street; Empress street, between Cook street and Chambers street; Market street, Douglas street, to Rose street; Rose street, Topaz avenue, to Hillside avenue; Regent street, St. Charles street easterly; Shelbourne street, Bay street to Haultain street.

The following paving works were authorized subject to the approval of the finance committee: Blanshard street, Humboldt to Douglas; Burdett street, Douglas to Quadra; Quadra street, Burdett to Blanshard; Howard and Lydia streets; Prior street, Summit avenue to Hillside avenue.

HUNDRED SEEK WORK.

Unmarried Men go to Parliament Buildings as an Unemployed Deputation.

About one hundred men went to the parliament buildings yesterday in the form of a deputation from the unemployed. They were seen by Hon. Thomas Taylor, minister of public works, who promised that the matter of work on the Indian reserve should be taken before his colleagues at once.

The men were mostly unmarried men who found fault with the arrangement that the work on the reserve is to be given to married men who are residents of the municipality. The minister of public works told the men that in the matter the government had co-operated in part with the Central Relief association of Victoria, and that the government aid in relief is limited.

"We want posterity to feel that it owes a great deal to us," said the statesman. "I don't know about its owing much to us," replied the politician. "But after we get through piling up debts, posterity is going to feel that it owes a great deal to somebody."

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ASKS COUNCIL TO DOUBLE MARKET DAYS

Affiliated Friendly Help Association Represents Advantage of Alteration

To the market committee will go a communication from the Affiliated Friendly Help association suggesting two weekly market days commencing in the first week of April. The letter was read to the city council last evening.

The legislative committee reported that it had been successful in securing an amendment of the Municipal act to enable the assessment roll to be returned by January 10 of each year.

Several suggestions were made in council about the city veterinary service, when the comptroller submitted a return showing that only $449 had been expended by the council in 1914, all going to Dr. R. Hamilton. A committee was appointed to look into the question, Alderman Okell suggesting that tenders should be called for the work. A complaint of discrimination had been received.

The city council voted $350 to the funds of the Friendly Help association. Tenders will be called immediately for the fire alarm equipment, to cost $9,500, because it is feared if this course is not taken, the extra duty with the increased tariff scale from the American side will increase the cost by $1,000. The accident insurance of members of the department will be divided between three companies at $6.75 per man per annum.

The fair weights officer reported that not only were the various commodities up to standard in February, but the majority of loads of coal were above the amounts specified in the tickets.

Correspondence from the secretary of the Jubilee hospital, and from the city health officer with regard to the case of George Zeroch, an indigent case, was read and filed.

SELECTS CANDIDATE

Ward IV., Saanich Ratepayers' Association, Favors Lady; Labor Situation.

The Ward IV. Saanich Ratepayers' association decided last evening to nominate Mrs. Hutchinson, of Royal Oak, at the nomination to-morrow for the Saanich school board. The name of George F. Watson, of Gordon Head, who contested the annual election, was mentioned, but in the absence of definite information as to his intentions it was decided to favor the lady candidate. She is well-known for her work in connection with the Royal Oak women's institute, as a member of the local council of women and the household league. She is considerably interested in school work.

A long debate took place on the labor scale to be paid by the municipality, labor representatives present opposing the action of the council at the last meeting in rejecting Councilor O'Connell's motion. Eventually a resolution was adopted to ask the coucil to fix a minimum wage of $2.25 on ordinary work, and $2.75 on the waterworks undertaking.

Although no referendum can be submitted except at an annual election, the meeting thought some plebiscite should be taken on the question of whether manual training in the schools should be retained, and expressed its view in a resolution which was adopted.

IS URGED TO PRESS RELIEF UNDERTAKINGS

Council Asked to Hurry Up Enterprises; Malahat Drive Improvements

As suggestions for starting public works to meet the serious unemployed situation, Dr. J. J. Millar, writing on behalf of the Central Employment and Relief Bureau, mentioned to the council last evening the desirability of starting up work on the High School grounds, proceeding with the Rock Bay bridge, and recommended also that the council should urge on the provincial government the improvement of the curves, etc., on the Malahat Drive.

Alderman Porter threw out a suggestion which was adopted, that the government be approached through a committee about the Malahat Drive.

Alderman Todd explained the causes of the delay on the Rock Bay bridge, and also thought men should be put to work on the school site.

The application with regard to the Malahat Drive, it will be suggested to the bureau, should come from the bureau as well as the council.

It was stated by Alderman McNeill that there is no appropriation in the estimates for the High School grounds in 1915.

Alderman Fullerton welcomed the commencement of work on the old reserve, and hoped it would be extended. He believed the ministry might well have spent the money ear-marked by the government for its contribution to the Johnson street bridge, to be spent on Johnson street extension. He endorsed the proposal to improve the Malahat Drive.

Little four-year-old Harry was not feeling well, and his father suggested that he might be taking the chicken-pox, then prevalent. Harry went to bed laughing at the idea, but early next morning he came downstairs looking very serious, and said: "You's right, papa, it is the chicken-pox, 'cos I's found a fevver in the bed."

CIVIC WORKS LOANS RAPIDLY DECREASING

Two Committees Meet Today; Prevention of Fly-Conveyed Disease

From figures which were submitted to the city council last evening in the city comptroller's statement for February, there remains $78,000 in school loans, divided between six loans, $158,615 in the sewer loan, nearly $60,000 in the police headquarters loan, and $28,421 in the waterworks distribution loan, 1913. The total credits were $1,999,902, with $983,624 on the debit side, leaving a credit balance of $1,016,277.

A meeting of the special committee under Alderman Todd's chairmanship with regard to the disposal of the manure from the city stables, etc., held this morning, decided to abandon the sale of manure in the period from May 15 to September 15. In that way it is felt that no breeding of flies will be encouraged in transport during the summer months. There will be no increase in price meanwhile.

The committee asked the engineer and medical officer to report on the feasibility of building three concrete pits for storage of the manure during the summer months. It is thought some suitable scheme along these lines can be devised.

Subsequently the sewer committee of Esquimalt, headed by Reeve McAdam, met the city sewer committee to talk over the connection with the northwest trunk sewer, and particularly to learn how the progress payments by the municipality to the city are being made, and to learn what additional liability the township municipality has under the agreement made in 1913.

Some of the sewerage from the district is already falling into the lower portion of the trunk sewer below Head street, although the permanent outfall at Macaulay point has not been finished. This permanent work will be of steel, which can be better accomplished in the spring. The tunnels through Victoria West will not be completed for some months.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE BACK

Mrs. Jenkins Was Twice a Guest of Canadian Club, Seattle.—Visited Public Schools Clinic.

Mrs. Margaret Jenkins, of this city, returned this morning from Seattle, where she has been visiting for the past three weeks with her son, J. H. Fox. During her stay in the American city she was twice the guest of the Canadian club, once at a luncheon, where she was the special guest of the club secretary, and the second time at an afternoon reception given in her honor by the president of the club, Mrs. John Inkster. On the latter occasion Mrs. Jenkins addressed the organization briefly on the subject of Canadian Club Work, Its Aims, Objects and Achievements. President of the Women's Canadian club of this city, which has been doing very fine work in connection with the making of comforts for the soldiers now serving in defence of the empire, Mrs. Jenkins was in a position to tell in detail of that department of the local organization's activities, as well as of the general work of the club in connection with the lecture and study course.

Among the interesting organizations visited by Mrs. Jenkins in Seattle was the public schools clinic. Her comment in this connection is to the effect that the doctors are doing very fine work among the children in the schools, no less than forty-two medical men giving their services in a cause which should tend greatly to increase the physical standard in the citizens of the future.

Mrs. Elgin Cossett, Joggin Bridge, N.S., says:—"When my little daughter was five months old a rash broke out on her face and body. I called in a doctor, who stated that it was eczema, and treated her for it. His treatment, however, did not bring any relief, and the child got worse. I then tried a great many salves and so-called eczema cures, but nothing proved of any benefit. The sores continued to spread, and became one large mass. One day a friend advised me to try Zam-Buk.

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Concert on St. Patrick's Day Under Auspices of St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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Piano duet, the Misses Small and Woollason; "St. Patrick's Day," Little Kathleen; song, selected, J. G. Brown; song, "The Minstrel Boy," Miss Fraser; Irish song and dance in character, Miss O'Keefe; song, "The Kavanagh," F. Schl; violin solo, "Ancient Irish Melodies," Mrs. Burden Murphy, A. C. V.; song, "She is Far From the Land," Mrs. Galea, R. A. M.; song in character, "Calligan, Call Again," Mr. Dooley; song, "The Wind Among the Barley," Mrs. Burden Murphy; song, "Mother McChree," Mr. Johnston; quartette, "Irish Airs," Mrs. Robertson and party; song, "Isle of Dreams," Miss Rivers; song in character, as sung in character at the Royal Victoria theatre, winning first prize, "Ship Ahoy!" Lily Dooley; song, "Come Back to Erin," Miss Baynum; Irish jig in character, Miss Nellie Dooley and Mr. Boyd; piano solo, "Dear Little Shamrock," Little Kathleen. Mrs. Galea will be the accompanist.

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"I never saw such a superstitious fellow as Bixby." "What's his latest?" "Why, he's been trying all the morning to prove that 1915 is an unlucky year. He's manipulated the figures 1-9-1-5 with addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and the rule-of-three." "What has he found that seems unlucky?" "Nothing, except that when he added 1-9-1-5 together and subtracted the total 16 from 1915 it left 1899." "Yes?" "And that was the year he married."

HOW TO PREVENT ACID STOMACHS

AND FOOD FERMENTATION

By a Stomach Specialist.

As a specialist who has spent many years in the study and treatment of stomach troubles, I have been forced to the conclusion that most people who complain of stomach trouble possess stomachs that are absolutely healthy and normal. The real trouble, that which causes all the pain and difficulty, is excessive acid in the stomach, aggravated by food fermentation. Hyperacidity irritates the delicate lining of the stomach and food fermentation causes wind which distends the stomach abnormally, causing that full bloated feeling. Thus both acid and fermentation interfere with and retard the process of digestion. The stomach is usually healthy and normal, but irritated almost past endurance by these foreign elements—acid and wind. In all such cases—and they comprise over 90 per cent. of all stomach difficulties—the first and only step necessary is to neutralize the acid and stop the fermentation by taking in a little warm or cold water immediately after eating, from one to two teaspoonfuls of bisurated magnesia, which is doubtless the best and only really effective antacid and food corrective known. The acid will be neutralized and the fermentation stopped almost instantly, and your stomach will at once proceed to digest the food in a healthy, normal manner. Be sure to ask your druggist for the bisurated magnesia, as I have found other forms utterly lacking in its peculiarly valuable properties.—F. J. G